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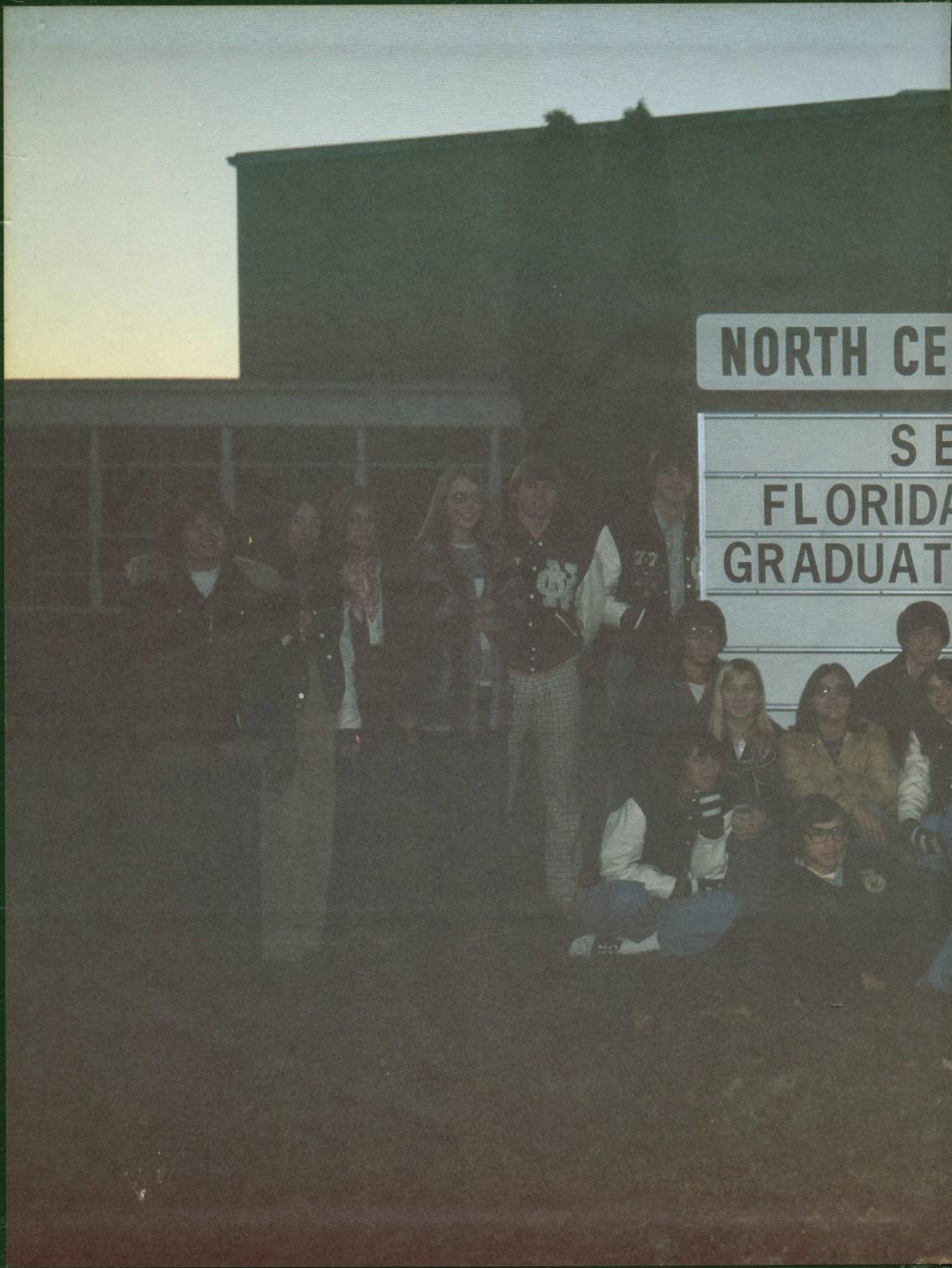
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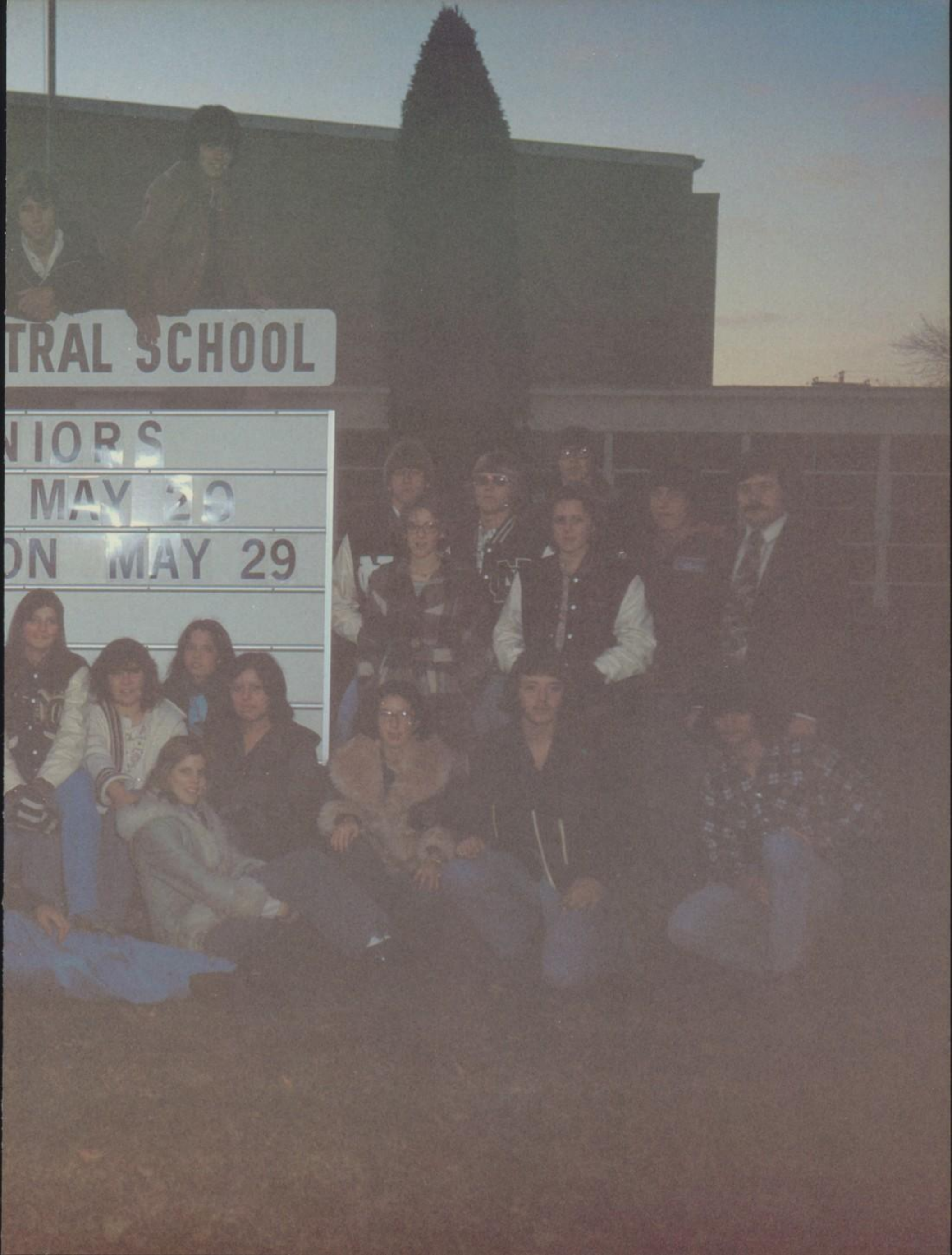
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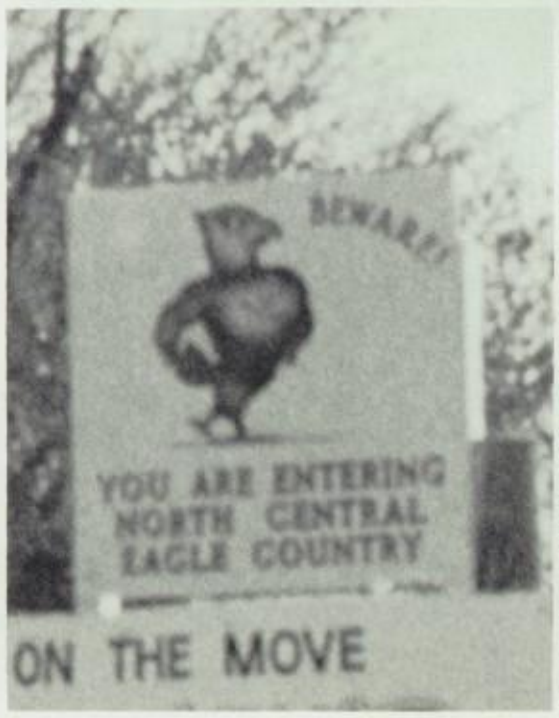

Mark Hagelberger

Richard Hagelberger

Mark and Richard Are Remembered

Memories will linger in the hearts and minds of those who knew Richard and Mark Hagelberger. Therefore, the 1976-77 AQUILA staff wishes to dedicate this yearbook to these two friends.

Richard and Mark were lost in a fatal accident on Monday, October 4, 1976.

Mark was a member of the freshman class and his activities included FFA, wrestling, track and chorus.

Richard was a member of the senior class and had interests in drama and chorus. He was also on the "Eagle Spirit" newspaper staff and was employed at Millers Super Value in Montpelier.

Both of the boys were members of the Silver Creek Church of the Brethren.

As we traveled through the school year, there were many reminders of our two dear friends. Most noticeably, in memory of Mark, the student council presented the first annual Outstanding Vo-Ag Student Award to Shane Sumner and Tim Moore was given the Outstanding Drama Student award in memory of Richard. In presenting these two awards, Brian Hulbert, president of student council, chose the following poem and dedicated it to Richard and Mark.

At the end of the school year, the seniors presented as their class gift a glass covered bulletin board with an engraved plate paying tribute to their classmate, Richard.

Yes, our friends will be missed deeply, but old friends are never forgotten . . .

OLD FRIENDS

There are no friends like old friends,
  And none so good and true;
We greet them when we meet them,
  As roses greet the dew;
No other friends are dearer,
  Though born of kindred mold;
And while we prize the new ones,
  We treasure more the old.
There are no friends like old friends,
  Where'er we dwell or roam,
In lands beyond the ocean,
  Or near the bounds of home;
And where they smile to gladden,
  Or sometimes frown to guide,
We fondly wish those old friends,
  Were always by our side.
There are no friends like old friends,
  To calm our frequent fears,
When shadows fall and deepen
  Through life's declining years;
And when our faltering footsteps,
  Approach the Great Divide,
We'll long to meet the old friends
  Who wait on the other side.

- David Bank Sickles

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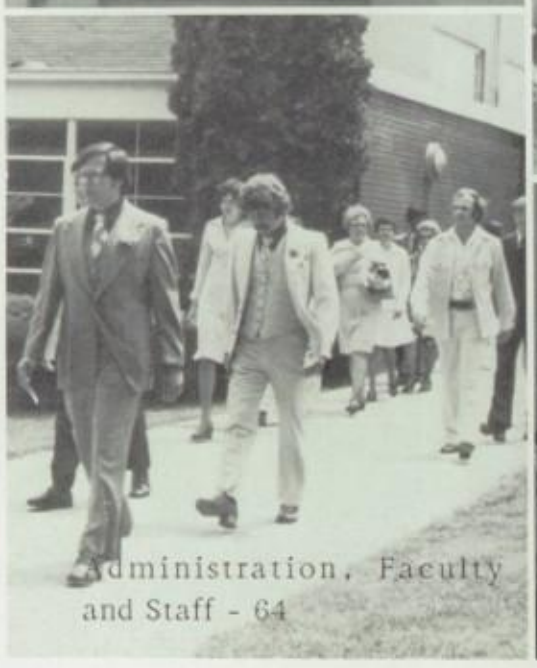

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We face the year 1976-77 with
eager anticipation.

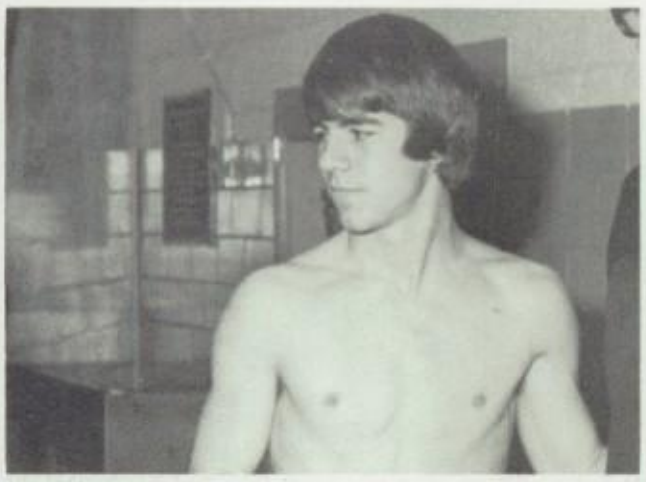
We have an invitation

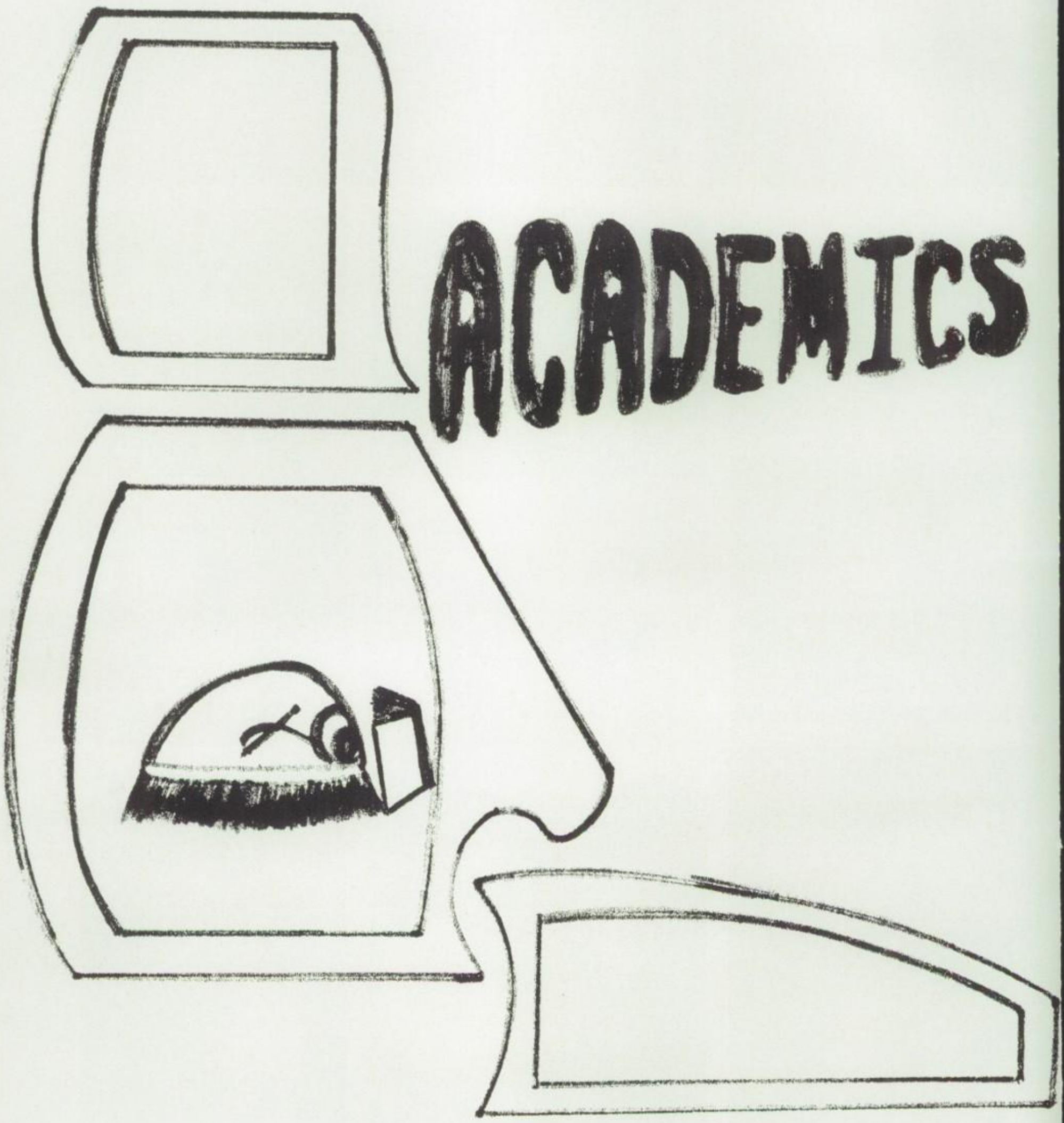
To question
To argue
To work
To dream
To overcome boredom
To share knowledge
To Laugh
To Cry
To Try
To Smile

We are the faces of 1976-77
at North Central

School Year Short But Varied

Attention Teachers
"Thermostats will be set at 65 . . . Use only the lights necessary for adequate lighting . . . Where blinds, drapes, etc., can be opened for natural light, leave those lights off next to windows and in gym classes . . . Close your drapes, blinds, etc., at the end of the day to conserve heat energy . . . Insist that your students dress warmly . . . Extra curricular activity schedules will be carefully scrutinized . . . Only one door in the high school building to be used."
"Schools were closed October 4, January 10, 11, 18, 27, 28, 31; Feb. 1, 3, 4, 10; March 4, 13."
"State legislature recently enacted legislature to cover our energy and calamity days. It will not be necessary to make up any days."
Energy Crisis . . . School closings because of blizzard conditions . . . What a winter!





ACADEMICS

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Traditional Classes Give Underclassmen Basics

Reading, writing and arithmetic, though admittedly more involved than in the past, were still the basic elements of an underclassman's education in 1977.

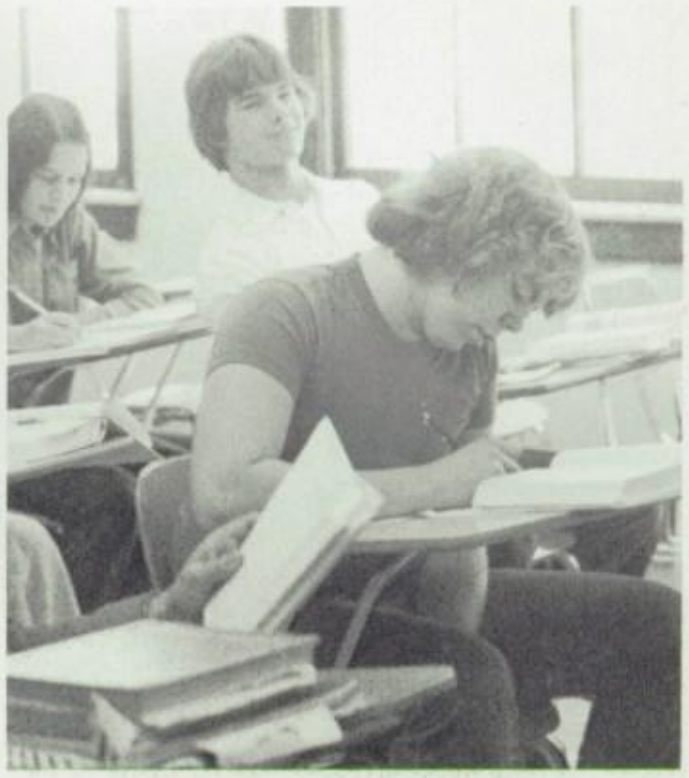
All freshmen took freshman English, but to add to the atmosphere of the classroom, mobiles made by the students decorated the English classroom of Shirley Penner. This was definitely the year of the mobile, as more and more mobiles kept appearing in several of the classrooms throughout the building, including the science room of Stan Sobel.

Mr. Sobel and Mrs. Penner were also in charge of a new project added to the curriculum for freshmen. The "Model Me" program was used in the civics and freshman English classes to help freshmen better understand and deal with their feelings and values.

Classroom instruction wasn't limited to the teacher of the class, as speakers were invited to share knowledge. Mr. Sobel's civics classes heard from Mr. Niday, the county high school supervisor, and from Mrs. Evelyn Lougheed, County Auditor, and Mrs. Doris Scott, County Treasurer. Dan Patrick of Indiana Institute spoke to Marv Anderson's math classes. Barb Wixom, school nurse, talked to Dick Selgo's health classes.

Field trips were on the agenda for those involved in mass media class as they toured the TOLEDO BLADE and WTOL TV station in Toledo; the art class which went to the Art Museum in Toledo; and home economics students studying child care who toured Sunshine Children's Home and the obstetrics ward of Williams County General Hospital.

Freshmen and sophomores were also allowed to assist in the elementary - sometimes getting out of several days of regular classes. Teresa Brown, Jill Deetz, Steve Ely and Dan Oyer helped with field days. Steve Ely and Brenda Sumner helped with 7th grade orientation. Linda Holthues worked with testing of students who were having difficulty in class. Brenda Sumner went with the 6th graders to Camp Palmer for Outdoor Education. Fifth graders got an assist from Jeff Gunn and Scott Eidenier when they went to the Boy Scout Camp.



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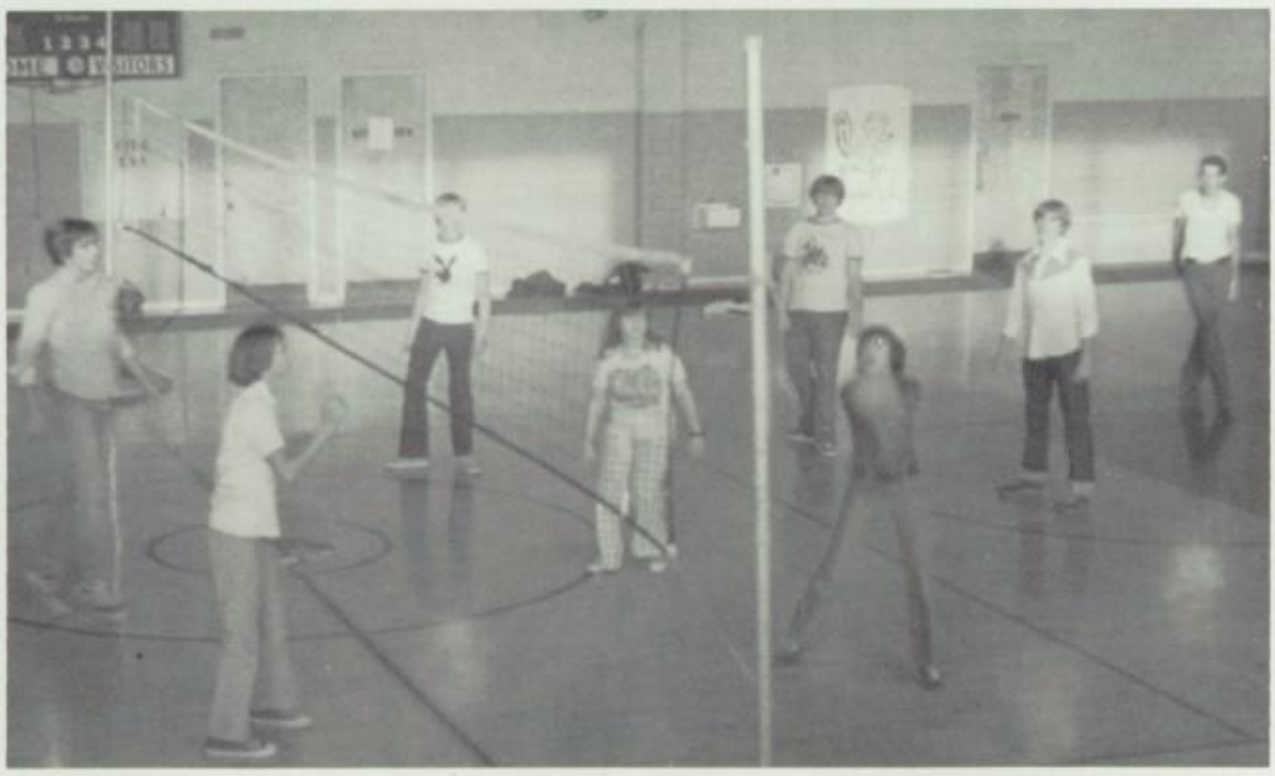


Varied Curriculum Offers Answers to Upperclassmen

In 1976-77, ecology was added to the list of courses open only to juniors and seniors. Others include non-major industrial arts, junior-senior physical education; marriage and family living and bachelor living.
Most classes employed the use of field trips, speakers or other special projects to add to the learning process in 1977.
Seniors and juniors in physical education went bicycling in the fall and to the town tennis courts in the spring. Terry Fox, science teacher, took several juniors and seniors to Albion College for their Science Day. All seniors toured the county courthouse and jail with Rick Brink, government teacher. Composition II classes, with their teacher, Darwin Krill, went to Harrison Lake for inspiration. And the American Problems class, with Shirley Penner, went to Michindo to see Indian artifacts.
Fred Hadley, State Representative, was a guest speaker in Rick Brink's government classes, as was Tony Gretick who ran for a local office. Mrs. Weldy and David Wirt talked to his psychology classes. Barb Wixom, school nurse, spoke to the family living classes.
In addition to speakers, teachers used other means to develop interest. Shirley Penner and Rick Brink combined their classes for many days to view the film Roots. Several teachers involved their students in writing term papers. The industrial arts department, under Gary Miller, made new mailboxes for the teachers' use in the superintendent's office. American problems classes with Shirley Penner enjoyed an Indian and a soul-food dinner. Georgeanne Vargo's business classes hosted a luncheon for the school secretaries during National Secretaries' Week in April.
Juniors and seniors also helped in the elementary. Kerry Fisher, Laura Houser and Connie Mercer helped with Outdoor Education. Scott Keesecker went with the 5th grade to the Boy Scout Camp. Todd Shinabarger presented his puppet shows while helping in the elementary. Todd also worked with Scott Kirkendall, Cathy Deetz, Brian Hulbert, Curt Bandeen, and Julie Stephens on field days. The entire bachelor living class helped with the elementary classes in a child care unit. Upperclassmen also helped with the 7th grade orientation, testing for learning disabilities and kindergarten assessment.

Mini Courses Add Zing to Curriculum

Announcement by Terry Fox and Gary Miller that they would conduct a 4-round Swiss chess tournament in September told everyone this was not going to be a usual year. Some other happenings that lightened the day included government classes emphasizing the national elections with polls, debates, and mock elections. The first grading period gave evidence to new computerized grading systems and some students began getting "happy grams" from teachers in excelling in various areas. A new slide projector was purchased and student council put it to use. Spring brought a hunter safety course and dismissal from classes for two afternoons to get the certificate. Even the faculty and administration got into the "T-Shirt" day on April Fools Day.

Several major assemblies were held, and were bright spots. Ken Henderson entertained in December, the Challengers, in February, and a choral group from Lima High School in April. N.C. had its own performers, too, as drama class presented 3 short plays the teachers sang "Twas the Night Before Christmas" at the annual Christmas assembly. Other assemblies included instruction from the American Legion and Highway Patrol. Honor Society conducted its first induction at an assembly and the yearbook used a skit with "strange little people" to sell the book.

The awards assembly brought awards including Science Fair winners, with Deanne Smith and Rae Leidy as overall tops with their Solar Heated Home. Scott Kirkendall turned out to be the Family Leader of Tomorrow based on a test taken by all seniors. Cathy Deetz and Brian Hulbert were named Outstanding Seniors. Various clubs and classes also gave awards.

Other awards through the year included Betty Grimm for placing 21st in the district Voice of Democracy contest and the scholastic team winners including: Scott Sparks, 7th in English 9; Shelley Williams, 8th in English 11; Cathy Reeder, 14th in English 11; and Todd Shinaberger, 20th in senior social studies.

May 4 was Mini Course Day with leisure time activities emphasized. The list for courses included swimming, tennis, golfing, bowling, canoeing, self-defense, karate, Hungarian cooking, fondue cooking, cake decorating, macrame, bicycling, sail-planing, and a visit to a mortuary. Though the weather was bad the mini course day was a huge success.

ACTIVITIES

LOVE
NOT FORGOTTEN

CAST

Wilbur Maxwell ----------Tim Moore
Hercules Nelson ----------Jerry Burt
Celeste ----------Cathy Reeder
Nina Quigley ----------Kathy Scott
Frankie ----------Annette Carlson
Aunt Mary ----------Cathy Deetz
Uncle Bob----------Todd Sniadecki
Granny ----------Angie Eckley
Mr. Quigley----------Curt Bandeen
Dr. Brown ----------Shane Sumner
Madeline ----------Lori Faunce
Harry Schuster ----------Scott Semer
Daphne ----------Teresa Brown
Claude ----------Paul Hulbert

"Finders Creepers" Tickles Audience

Tim Moore and Jim Burt were chosen for the lead roles in Darwin Krill's second shot as director at North Central in the play, "Finders Creepers."

Tim portrayed Wilbur Maxwell, bosom pal to Hercules Nelson, played by Jerry. They went to spend the weekend with Herc's aunt and uncle and things began to happen when they discovered that Mr. Nelson had a new job as a mortician. One "body" turned out to be still alive, and the hilarity began when the boys decide to become detectives.

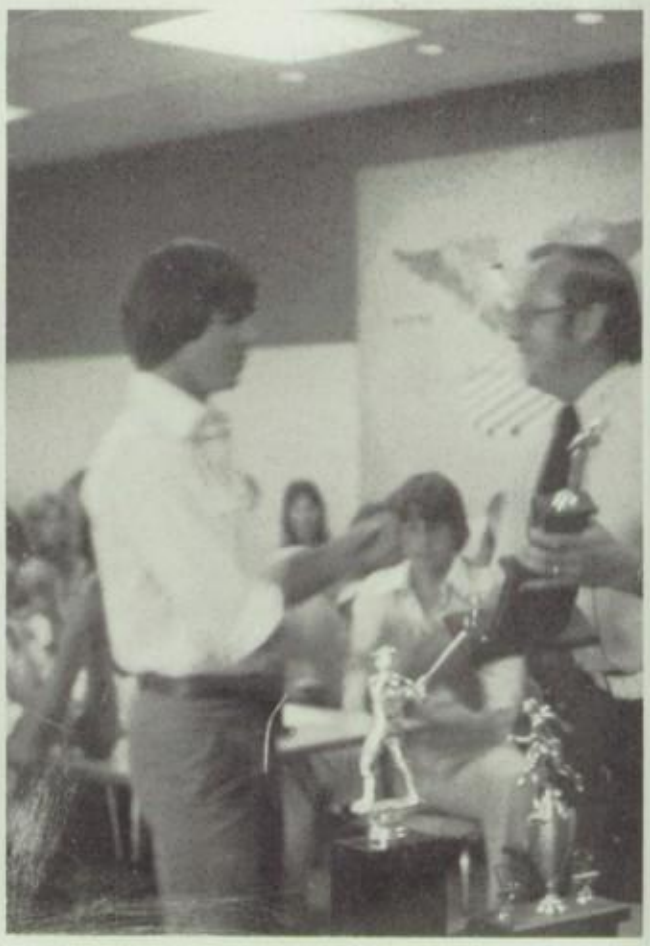
Those behind the scenes included prompters; Lori Motter and Patti Pierce; stage crew: Ed Kidston, Steve Kirkendall, Doug Nearing and Jon Swartz; make-up: Mel Schlosser, Cindy Bistline, Shelley Williams, DeAnna Frack, Jane Walkup and Deb Geiser; and publicity and ticket sales: Cathy Sentle, Kathie Rademaker Michelle Dupire, Tina Lashaway, Lorain Hugg, Cheryl Gruber, Bob McKelvey, Dave Mitchell, Lee Steinke and Janet Mick.

Queen Cathy Crowned Amid Tears of Joy

Scott Kirkendall, vice president of student council, introduced the Homecoming Court between the reserve and varsity games against Hamilton Indiana on January 22. Silence . . . the announcement that Cathy Deetz was Homecoming Queen . . . tears of joy . . . applause . . . pictures . . . smiles.

Senior attendant, Kathy Funkhouser was in the hospital and Jean Gruber was selected to represent her. Jean was joined in the court by Deb Geiser, junior attendant; Mary Rivas, sophomore attendant; and Gwen Whitis, freshman attendant. Lisa Messner was the flower girl and Brad Geiser, the crown bearer.

After presiding over the game, which the Eagles lost 70-61, the court and their escorts opened the dance, "Sound of Silence." Student council provided decorations and refreshments and the band was the "Tempos."



Banquets Bring Change From Blue Jeans

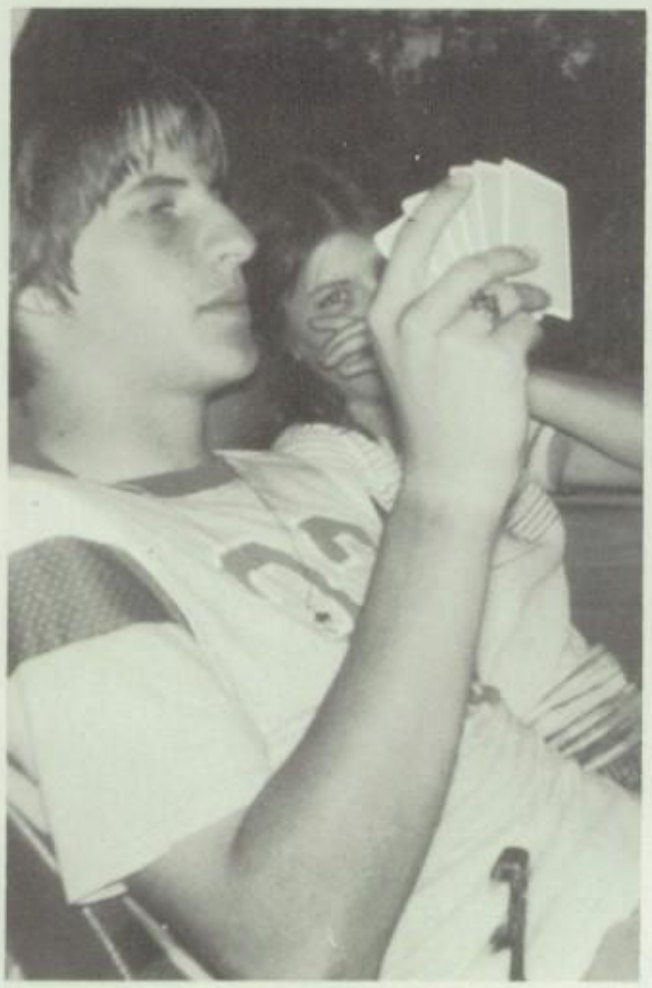
Long dresses, dress pants and jackets mark most of the spring banquets and that's a change from the casual dress of school. FFA and FHA held their banquet together again; and presented their awards, after dinner and a slide show of the year's activities.

Honor Society hosted the Honors Banquet in May and though the guest speaker failed to show up, tapping of new members into Honor Society was quite impressive to many who had never seen a tapping.

Last of the banquets was the Sports Banquet held the last week in May. Top awards went to Jean Gruber, Gamboe Sportsmanship Award; Ed Kidston, Chamber of Commerce Award, and Todd Shinaberger, WBNO Scholar-Athlete Award. Guest speaker was Ted Lindsay of the Detroit Red Wings hockey team.

"Chrystal Blue Persuasion" Brings Enchantment

Decorations complete at last, the juniors presented the seniors with the annual prom and banquet. A first this year was combining theme ideas with the junior high prom which was the night before, so the decorations at Kunkle could be used for the banquet. Food first, then the dance, and then a movie in Montpelier. "Bad News Bears" gave the seniors some new remarks to try out on each other . . . something having to do with a moron . . . as well as many laughs. Frozen hot dogs provided silly moments to add to the final events of the evening (or morning) as those who managed to stay awake long enough enjoyed a bonfire and games such as ping pong and darts at Annette Carlson's barn. All in all, a time to remember.



24 Hours Is a Long Time on a Bus

Friday afternoon, after completing senior exams, twenty-four seniors and three chaperones boarded what was to be their home for the next several days. First stop Kings Island - late in arriving, crowded, but good music. Continuing to be behind schedule, Orlando, Florida and a bed was at last found about 10:30 Saturday night. Disneyworld - especially Space Mountain - on Sunday; Daytona Beach and rain in the morning on Monday; and Cypress Gardens and Busch Gardens on Tuesday. Then guess who's back on the bus for 24 more hours. Well, it was fun - sunburns and all. Among the moments to be remembered were the water fight at Disneyworld, Brian and the bathing suit in the hotel; and the bus drivers.

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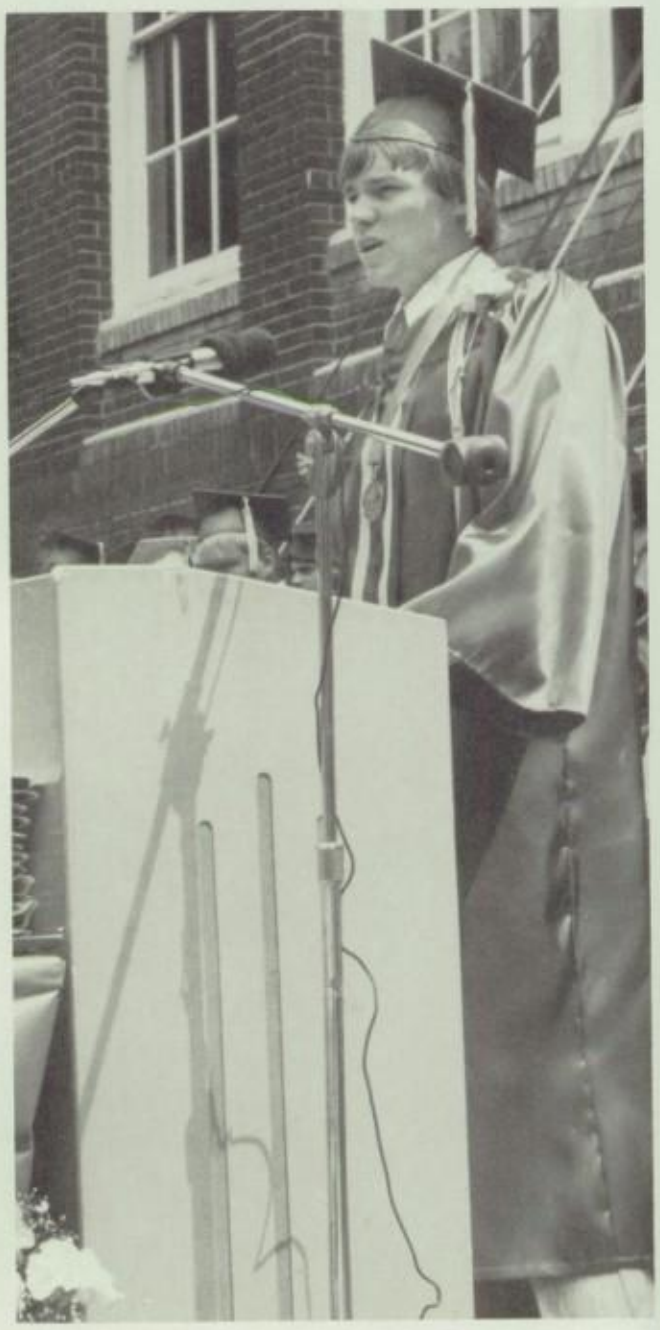
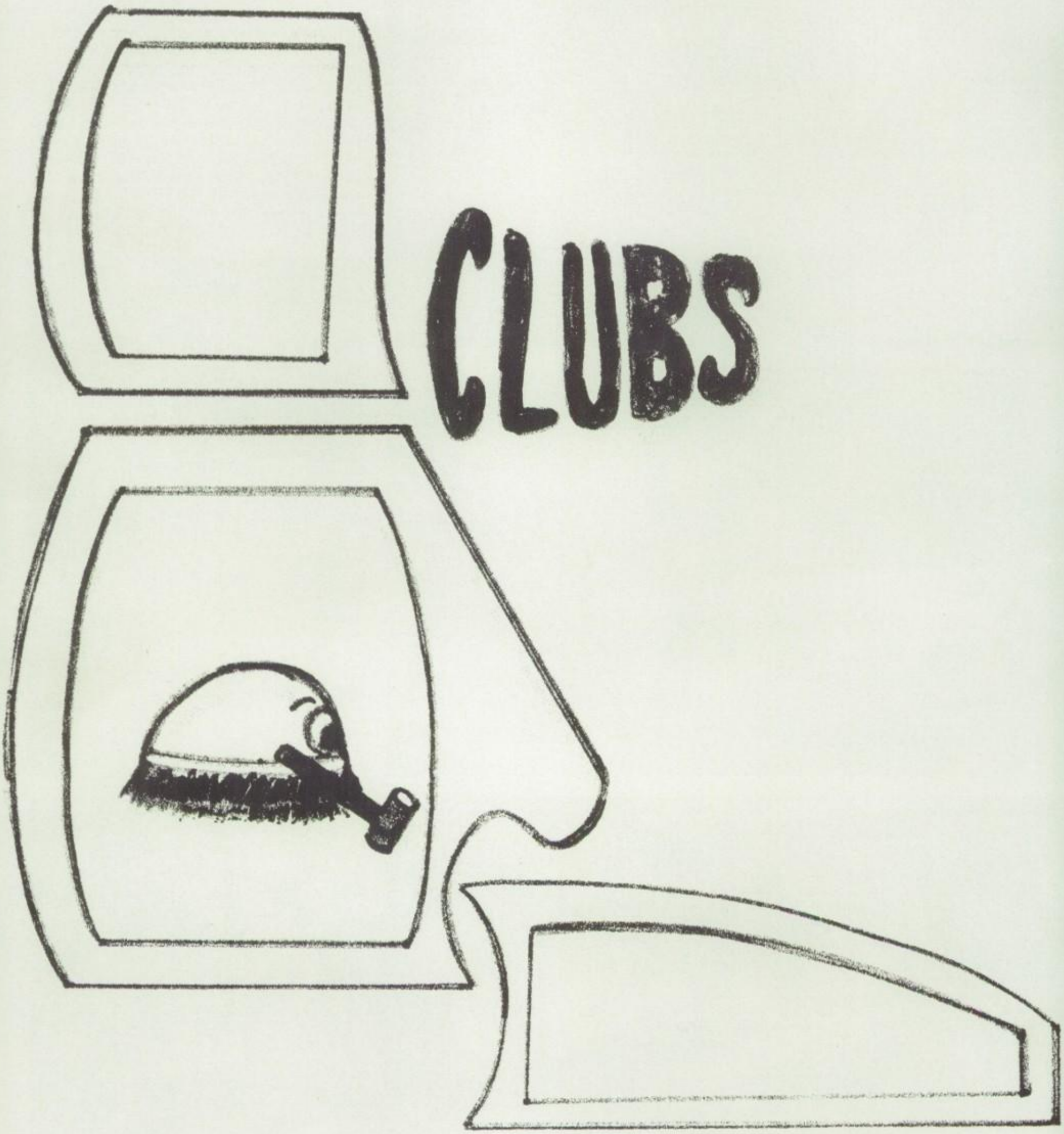


Seniors Face the Future

Lori Motter and Lee Steinke, serving as junior attendants, led the 46 graduates into commencement activities on a windy, but sunny May 29 afternoon. An invocation was given by Reverend David White of the United Methodist Church and the message was presented by Darwin Krill, class advisor. Following the speech, made interesting by several humorous stories and some honest advice, the band and chorus performed with the seniors joining them for the last time. Jim Swartz, Brian Hulbert and Todd Shinabarger spoke on the future, present and past of the class of '77 and Ed Kidston presented a bulletin board in memory of class member, Richard Hagelberger, as the class gift. Diplomas were presented and then caps in the air signaled the end of the recessional and the end of four years at NC.

CLUBS



FRONT: Gregg Morris, Advisor; Scott Kirkendall, vice president; Brian Hulbert, president; Annette Carlson, secretary; Lori Motter, treasurer; BACK: Robin Spencer, Jim Swartz, Todd Shinabarger, Pat Connin, Angie Eckley, Lee Steinke, Deanne Smith, Donna Robison, Linda Bennett.

Slide Show Caps Active Year for Council

Seven-thirty a.m. meetings were only one of the things that meant a change for the Student Council in 1977. Much more active this year than in recent years, the council was "Time Out For Teens" on Archbold radio in September; sold Halloween insurance and then cleaned windows in October; ushered for Open House in November; prepared a slide presentation; rewrote their constitution, presented the annual homecoming "Sound of Silence"; and purchased and presented plaques for Outstanding Vo-Ag and Drama students in memory of Mark and Richard Hagelberger. Student Council members also sold sweaters with North Central Eagles lettered on the front and served as hosts for the high school assemblies. Brian Hulbert, president, introduced the speakers at these assemblies. He was joined by vice president, Scott Kirkendall for the presentation of the Hagelberger memorial awards at the awards assembly in the spring. Both Brian and Scott also helped with the supervision of the hair checks, with principal and first year advisor, Gregg Morris.

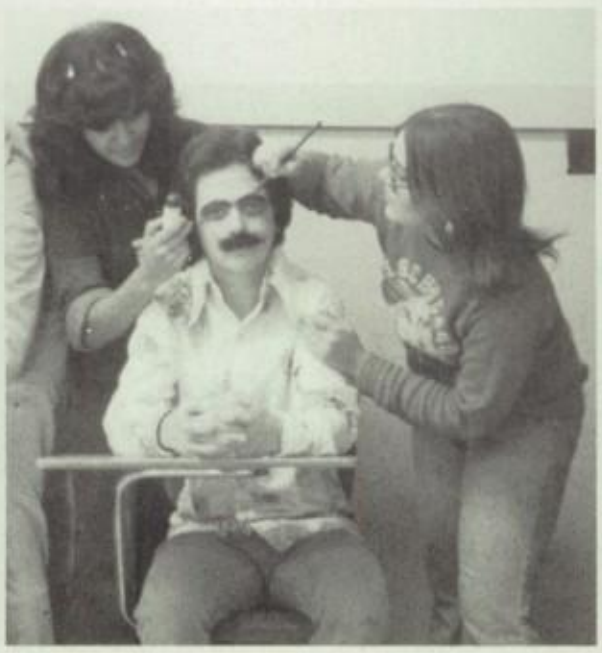
Tapping Adds Excitement to Banquet

Fall induction in November brought 7 new members to double the total membership in the Honor Society. As usual, members had lounge privileges. They were also in charge of the decorations and planning of the Honors Banquet in May. Center pieces for the banquet were construction paper owls made by several of the members. A change was made in the selection process for membership this year, after a study by a faculty group. The first to be chosen under the new guide lines were tapped in a surprise addition to the honors banquet - a move which saved the day even after the guest speaker failed to appear. Below are the new members tapped in the Spring: Lori Motter, Ellen Morr, Dave St. John, Angie Eckley and Tammy Sickmiller, along with advisor, Roberta Oxender who coordinated the banquet.

FRONT: Ronda Aschliman, Cathy Deetz, Julie Stephens, Roberta Oxender, advisor; Kathy Scott, Dave Nixon; BACK: Cathy Reeder, Betty Grimm, Shelley Williams, Cindy Bistline, Todd Shinabarger, vice president; Steve Kirkendall; Brian Hulbert, treasurer; Jim Swartz, president.

Dramatists Give Their Best for Applause

"Finders Creepers" was the highlight of the drama club's performance this year, but members of the drama class which makes up the drama club also wrote the plays and performed them for the Christmas Assembly. Everyone involved in the drama classes had a part in the plays or behind the scenes for "Missing Santa," "Christmas in an Elevator," or "The True Meaning of Christmas." Advisor, Darwin Krill, decided upon the recipient of student council's first annual Drama Award in memory of Richard Hagelberger, and the award was presented to Tim Moore at the annual awards assembly. The club itself voted for its best actor, Paul Hulbert, and best actress, Angie Eckley. Also given awards were Steve Kirkendall and Ed Kidston for their technical work with lighting and sound effects.



FRONT: Angie Eckley, Mary Rivas; SECOND: Cathy Reeder, DeAnna Frack, Janet Mick, Cheryl Gruber, Deb Geiser, Shelley Williams, Jean Gruber; THIRD: Cindy Bistline, Curt Bandeen, Tim Moore, Paul Hulbert, Patti Pierce, Becky Leslie; FOURTH: Darwin Krill, advisor; Lori Motter, Cathy Deetz, Annette Carlson, Kathy Scott, Cathy Sentle; BACK: Todd Shinabarger, Dave Mitchell, Steve Kirkendall, Bob McKelvey, Shane Sumner, Sandy Sickmiller, Todd Sniadecki, Lee Steinke, Kathie Rademaker.

Students Keep Offices Truckin'

Office helpers give up their study halls, usually very willingly, to help in many little and big ways in the high school principal's or superintendent's office. Answering phones, running off papers for teachers, stapling those papers, putting together programs, grading tests, collecting attendance cards, taking messages to teachers and students, collecting students who were needed in the office, counting cafeteria money, and finding audio visual equipment were only only some of the jobs this year's office workers found to make them the only "legal" hall roamers in the high school. Both secretaries have often praised the work they do and many times count them as indispensable to keeping the office running smoothly. Some of the group below worked first semester, and some worked second; others were free to help both semesters.

FRONT: Mary Rivas, Brenda Sumner, Terry Bennett, Laura Houser, Jean Gruber; MIDDLE: Terri Ely, Donna Robison, Julie Manley, Robin Spencer; BACK: Steve Ely, Ed Kidston, Scott Kirkendall, Gary Martin.

FRONT: Elroy Schroeder, advisor; Rodney Cogswell, Ed Frymire, Ken Bell, Sandy Sickmiller, Mike Rathke, Bob McKelvey, Charles Swartz; SECOND: Alan Bexten, Mike Funkhouser, Al Henry, Kevin Aschliman, Todd Ellerbusch, Frank Downing; THIRD: Shane Sumner, Gary Durham, George Bible, Virgil Houser, Stuart Bickham; FOURTH: Marv Kohl, Ted Mercer, Tom McMillen, Billy Mocherman, Mark Schmucker, Kent Landis, Randy Cogswell, Ted Frame; FIFTH: Lisa Rathke, Jeff Hartsock, Doug Cargle, Tracy Schlosser, Joe Burkard; BACK: Steve Ely, Dan Oyer, Terry Hendricks, Gary Martin, Al Geiser, Jim Cousino, Jody Yoder.

F.F.A. Gets B.O.A.C. Grant for $1,000

After a summer time of activities, including a swimming party, a trip to Cedar Point and to the tractor pulls at Bowling Green, the FFA started the school year making gates and trash barrels for the fairgrounds. The FFA was joined by the girls in FHA for the painting of the trash barrels. During the year the FFA also joined the girls for the hayride, the Sweetheart Dance and the banquet. Several teams competed at the district level for the FFA this year, including: soil judging, dairy livestock, trouble-shooting, and the general livestock team which placed 7th out of 20 teams. Outstanding accomplishments of the organization for the year were receiving a superior rating in state evaluations and also getting a $1,000 grant from the state FFA for their Building Our American Cities project which will be used in Pioneer over the next 4 years. Scholarship award was given at the banquet to Shane Sumner, and other awards went to Chuck Swartz, salesmanship; Sandy Sickmiller, outstanding senior; Randy Cogswell, outstanding greenhand; Rodney Cogswell, outstanding chapter farmer; Bob McKelvey, outstanding star chapter farmer; and Darlene Bandeen, honorary chapter member.

F.H.A. Scores for Award of Merit

Four hundred and eight dozen doughnuts for a profit of $200 - not a bad effort; but then getting the Award of Merit on the state level for the third year in a row takes more than a little effort.

One of N.C.'s more active organizations, this year the girls had a booth at the fair in September; joined the FFA for a hayride in October; had a Christmas department sales in November; held formal initiation in November; and went Christmas caroling in December - and that was only a half a year. February brought FHA week and activities included a breakfast for the teachers on a day that turned out to be a fog day with no school for the rest of the students. They also co-sponsored the annual Sweetheart dance with the FFA in March and attended state convention in April.

Queen of the Sweetheart dance was Linda Fackler, with Shelley Williams, junior attendant; Tammy Sickmiller, sophomore attendant; and Naomi Alpaugh, freshman attendant.

Awards went to Shelly Williams as outstanding member; Carlotta Gambler, most promising freshman; Laura Houser, scholarship, and Tammy Sickmiller, salesmanship.

FRONT: Gwen Whitis, Corisa Bandeen, Linda Bennett, Jane Walkup, Debbie Spencer, Angie Semer, Tammy Sickmiller, Becky Leslie, Laura Houser, vice president; Debbie Dick, Linda Fackler, secretary; Pat Cole, advisor; MIDDLE: Myra Repp, Diane Eckley, Mary Cogswell, Ann Burkard, Kathie Rademaker, Teresa Stark, Karen Kirkendall, Loraine McCoy, Pat Connin, reporter; Jill Deetz, historian; BACK: Shelly Williams, president; Judie VanDyke, Holly Pettit, recreation leader; Shawna Nixon, Michelle Dupire, Deb Kreischer, Mary Rivas, Carlotta Gambler, Naomi Alpaugh, Lori Faunce, parliamentarian.

Band Rated "Excellent" in State Contest

With a new director, Pete DeLille, the 1976-77 version of the Eagle Marching Band made its first appearance at the Williams County Fair. In October, calendar sales began and it seemed at the time could have been move profitable. But the band marched on. As a group they performed at Open House, at their Pop Concert in October, and at the Halloween Parade in October they were supposed to get into the swing of marching again, but because of rain this was cancelled. The combo wasn't meeting any more success with making engagements, as they were to play for the junior high's Snow Ball in January. After several snow storms, the Snow Ball was finally rescheduled for March and the combo entertained. During the winter sports season, the pep band played at pep sessions and basketball games. Several band members were involved in All County Band at Edgerton on February 27. In the spring attention was given to buying new uniforms and a car raffle was held at the Holiday Inn to raise money. District Contest was skipped because of the energy crisis, and the band performed "excellently" in state contest in Toledo. The year ended with playing for graduation and being fitted for uniforms in June.

MAJORETTES: Robin Spencer, Kathy Scott, Angie Eckley

COMBO: FRONT: Jill Fitzenrider, Todd Sniadecki; MIDDLE: Robin Spencer, Barb Lantz, Cindy Bistline; BACK: Pete DeLille, Teresa Brown, Angie Eckley, Steve Kirkendall, Julie Stephens, Mark Kirkendall, Janet Mick.

BAND: FRONT: Tami Carrothers, Sharon Oyer, Teresa Brown, Gwen Whitis; SECOND: Jill Fitzenrider, Barb Lantz, Vonda Aschliman, Kathy Funkhouser, Gwen Reeder McKelvey, Ann Burkard, Lori Motter, Kathy Scott, Robin Spencer, Steve Kirkendall, Donna Robison, Angie Eckley, Rosa Kerr; THIRD: Barb Boetz, Susan Grimm, Loraine McCoy, Jill Deetz, Corisa Bandeen, Deanne Smith, Diane Eckley, Chris Trausch, Tina Lashaway, Becky Leslie, Doug Sarver, Todd Shinabarger, Cindy Bistline, Cathy Deetz, Scott Kirkendall, Todd Sniadecki, Julie Stephens, Brad Keough, Paul Kurtz, John Murray, Lisa White, Mark Kirkendall, Ronda Aschliman; BACK: Pete DeLille, director; Susie Orcutt, Janet Mick, Diane Bible, Dave Nixon, Scott Semer.

FRONT: Lynn Lamberson, director; Robin Spencer, Angie Seeman, Cathy Reeder, Brenda Sumner, Lori Motter, Barb Boetz, Kathy Scott, Jennifer Bickham, Jill Fitzenrider, Diane Eckley, Cindy Bistline, Myra Repp, Laura Houser, Kathie Rademaker, Teresa Stark, Betty Grimm, Tina Lashaway, Ronda Aschliman; SECOND: Donna Robison, Jan Sumner, Lisa White, Susie Orcutt, Jill Deetz, Gwen Whitis, Cathy Deetz, Chris Trausch, Cathy Sentle, Chris Moreland, Kathy Funkhouser, Linda Pierce, Lynn Cryer, Shawna Nixon, Janet Mick, Carlotta Gambler, Rae Leidy, Judie VanDyke; THIRD: Linda Bennett, Angie Eckley, Jean Gruber, Terry Bennett, Naomi Alpaugh, Jane Walkup, Karen Kirkendall, Pat Connin, Donna Guy, Susan Grimm, Lynn Briner, Barb Lantz, Deb Geiser, Debbie Spencer, Corisa Bandeen, Sharon Oyer, Deb Huffman, Ann Burkard, Loraine McCoy; FOURTH: Diane Bible, Mary Cogswell, DeAnna Frack, Tami Carrothers, Mary Rivas, Becky Leslie, Dave Mitchell, Kerry Fisher, Brad Thompson, Paul Hulbert, Jon Logan, Doug Sarver, Russ Slee, Marty Connin, Todd Sniadecki, Ed Kidston, Annette Carlson, Holly Pettit, Cheryl Gruber, Lorain Hugg; FIFTH: Scott Sparks, Lynn Parker, Lee Steinke, Kent Landis, Alan Williams, Mike Funkhouser, Paul Kurtz, John Gamber, John Murray, Scott Semer, Al Henry, Scott Kirkendall, Dave Nixon, Tim Moore, Melvin Schilt, Gary Martin, Terry Hendricks, Todd Shinabarger; BACK: Curt Bandeen, Tim Ross, Teresa Brown, Julie Stephens, Marv Votaw, Scott Keesecker, Doug Nearing, Ken Bell, Dan Oyer, Todd Martin.

Chorus Takes Top Honors 5th Year in a Row

When school began chorus members were already sporting chorus jackets but those new members who wanted one were given a chance to order them. Then the community was given a chance to order the grapefruit and oranges that the chorus sells each fall and which are so looked forward to. To kick off the fruit sales, the chorus had a rock-a-thon in late October. During the year concerts were given in the winter and the spring, and the chorus also sang at several Sunday church services, including at the UB church in Kunkle, the Methodist Church in Pioneer, and the Church of Christ. After receiving their #1 rating in contest in Toledo, the choir also sang at the Methodist Church on Monroe Street in Toledo the next morning. Of course, the highlight of the year was the #1 rating at state for the 5th consecutive year. The chorus finished the year singing at commencement.

Marcia Cogswell, vice president; Lisa White, Deb Mocherman, president; Roberta Oxender, advisor; Linda Holthues, secretary-treasurer; Tina Weber, Ann Burkard, Marie Clements.

Club "Takes on" Elementary Library

This small but active group of girls spent many hours this year helping in the elementary library. In recent years there has been a librarian for the elementary, but without one, the library club had to spend much effort to keep the books in order. Another activity this year was selling old books both in the fall and again in the spring. They also had a booth at the Home and Products Show in April where they sold baked goods and plants. Aside from these extra projects, the members of the club worked daily in the library as librarians when their advisor, Mrs. Oxender, was teaching. Many were the times they helped a fellow student find material for a term paper for American history or government or for a report or project in one of the history mini courses. At Christmas time the club presented the "Nine Days to Christmas" at the Pioneer Public Library. The play was based on Mexican traditional celebrations of Christmas.

F.T.A. Visits Montessori School

Providing elementary teachers help with copying materials, grading papers, working with students and many other small jobs, this group was under the direction of Shirley Penner for the second year. Notebooks were again sold through the help of the school secretary. A field trip to Bryan to the Montessori school brought some insights into that program, as well as the visit to Sunnyside School at West Jefferson. A dinner was also held by the group at the home of the advisor, Mrs. Penner, and special guest and speaker was Dr. Marilyn Smith, county school psychologist. Awards for years of service were given out at the Awards Assembly in May, along with Mrs. Penner's now customary invitation to boys, many of whom work in the elementary, to join FTA also.

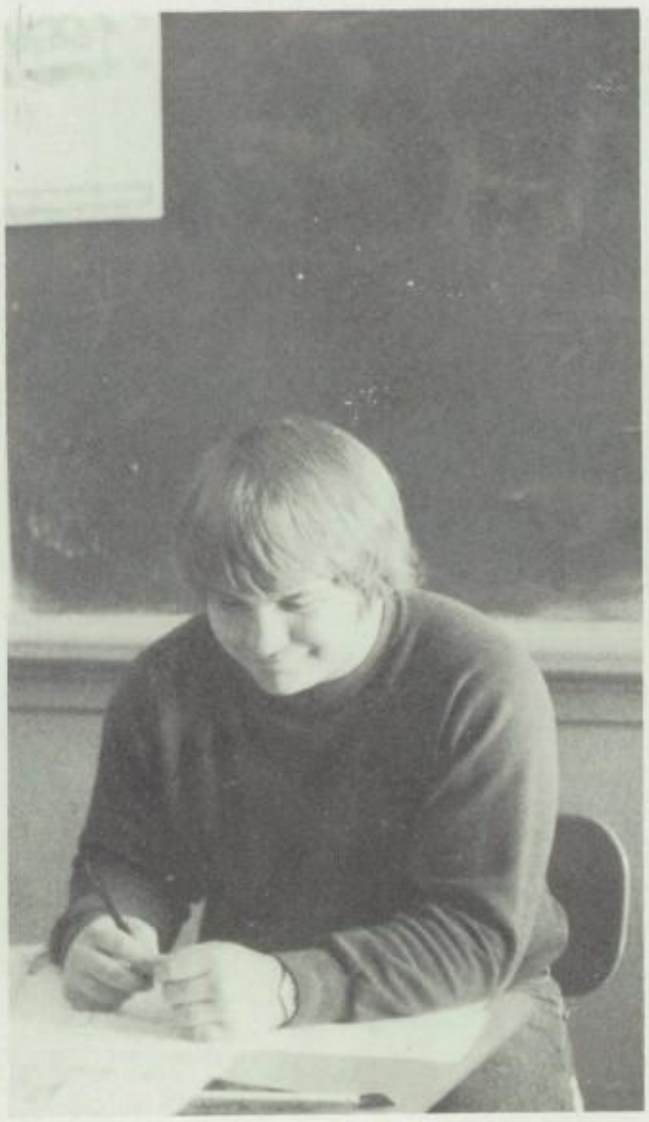
FRONT: Laura Houser, vice president; Cathy Reeder, president; Chris Downing, secretary-treasurer; SECOND: Donna Robison, Deb Mocherman, Tammy Sickmiller, Becky Leslie, Mary Rivas, Diane Bible, Susie Orcutt; THIRD: Shirley Penner, advisor; Linda Holthues, Deb Spencer, Donna Guy, Shelley Williams, Michelle Dupire; BACK: Betty Grimm, Susan Grimm, Susan Keil, Jayne Walkup, Angie Eckley.

Impossible Happens — Yearbook Arrives

An unusually small staff of 12 turned out to be only about seven when it came down to putting the yearbook together, and the deadlines seemed impossible to meet. But sometimes, even the impossible happens. The year started out with lots of hope as the juniors and seniors on the staff attended a yearbook workshop at Napoleon High School in October and got out of a whole day of school. Then as a group several members began selling ads. Lori Motter earned a free book by her salesmanship of ads. A selling of books campaign was carried out in October, with an assembly for ordering by high school students. Scott Kirkendall, Kay Burt, Lori Motter, Kathy Scott, Susie Orcutt, Corisa Bandeen and Tami Carrothers portrayed a yearbook salesman and three rather strange looking N.C. students on yearbooks payment day. Sales of the book were higher than normal and some of the ads had been sold. Then all of a sudden it was the end of the year and there were still so many things to be written, so many pictures to be cropped, and so little time left. Julie Stephens, Kathy Scott and Lori Motter put in hours on the book along with advisor, Georgeanne Vargo, during June and here the book is; so something must have gone right.

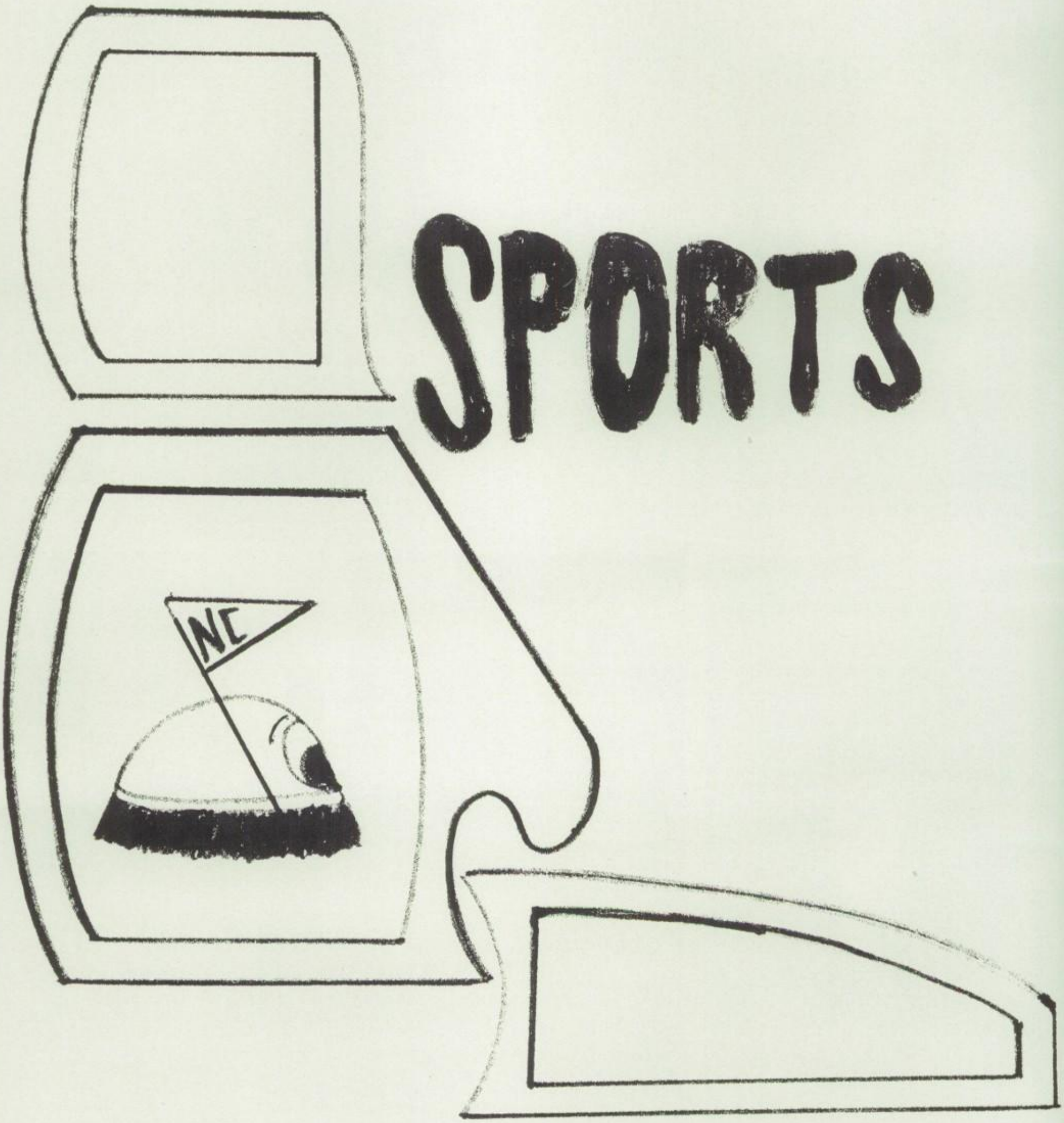
FRONT: Lynn Briner, editor-in-chief; Julie Stephens, assistant ; MIDDLE: Cathy Sentle, Scott Kirkendall, sports editor; Lori Motter, clubs editor; Kay Burt, Kathy Whitis, Tami Carrothers, Corisa Bandeen, Annette Carlson, Susie Orcutt, Georgeanne Vargo, advisor.

FRONT: Curt Bandeen, Lori Motter, Julie Stephens, Scott Kirkendall, Mark McClellan; MIDDLE: Annette Carlson, Lee Steinke, Dave Mitchell, Jim Swartz; BACK: Dave Nixon, Brian Hulbert, Pam Sauder, advisor; Todd Shinabarger, Dave St. John.



Paper Earns a Third in District Contest

With new advisor and journalism teacher, Pam Sauder, one of the first things the journalism class did was change the name of the paper to the "Eagle Spirit." Following lots of hard work and many hours of homewrok, the first issue was finally in print. In order to help them in their writing, Mrs. Sauder took four members of the staff, two of whom were also representing the yearbook staff, to the JOAS workshop at Ohio State. Lori Motter, Julie Stephens, Curt Bandeen and Brian Hulbert brought home some new experiences from this day of working at Ohio State. Publishing 14 issues of the paper throughout the year, plagued with delays because of loss of school days for snow storms, the paper finished the year competing in the Northwest Ohio Scholastic Press newspaper judging contest and got a third place rating. Dave Mitchell tied for second place in sports writing.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Harriers Improve; Bible 6th in BBC

Beginning the season in 4th out of 7 places at the Wiliams County Fair cross country meet indicated in part that this was to be a better year than in the past for this small team. Most of their meets, if not won, were lost by 1 to 5 points; with three of them, Fayette, Edgerton and Hilltop being 1 point decisions. The team ended the season with a 4-8 record. Highlight of the year for one team member was when George Bible placed 6th in the BBC meet after team captain Ed Kidston ran a slower than normal pace because of illness. Awards went to Lynn Parker for most improved and Ed Kidston for captain and the outstanding cross country runner. Team members also presented Coach Meuleman with a plaque, with a moving speech by team captain Ed Kidston. One other award was given; Lee Steinke got the "Flake" award, otherwise known as "I Love My Baby Award" for his efforts at relaxing the team at the starting line of most meets.

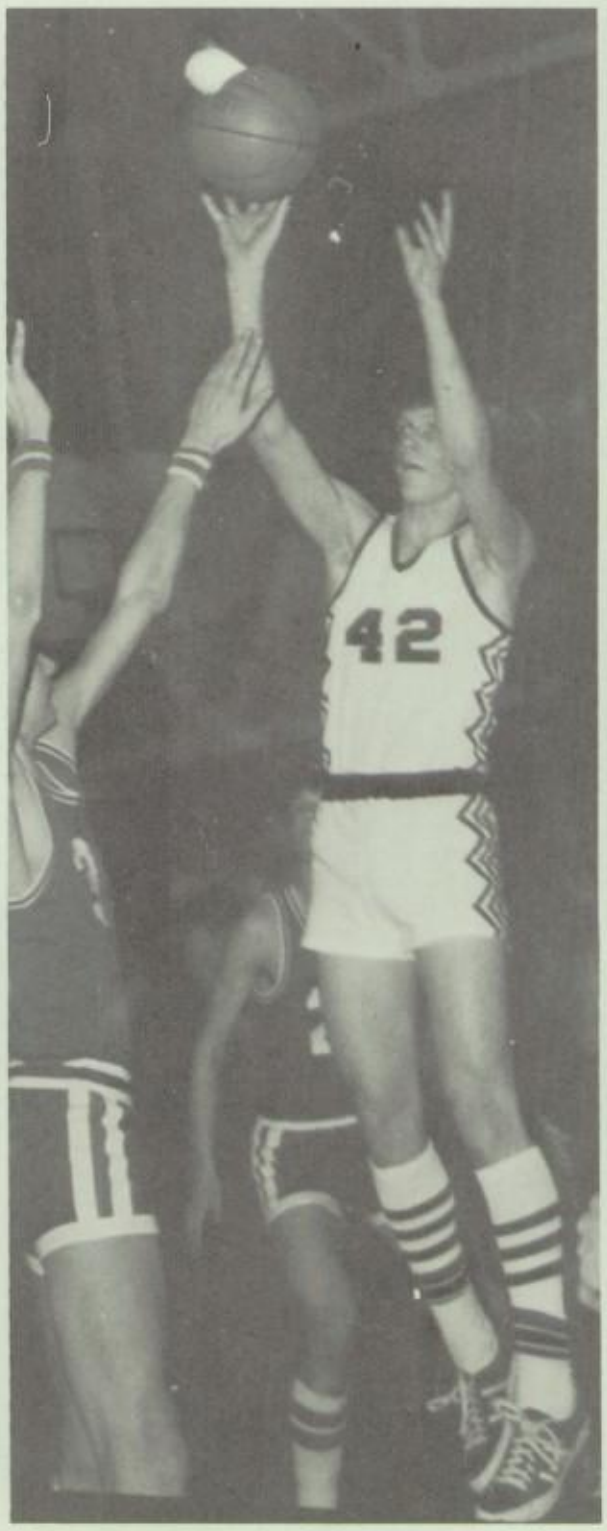
FRONT: Mark Kirkendall, Lee Steinke, Al Henry; MIDDLE: Brad Keough, George Bible; BACK: Statistician Shelley Williams, Lynn Parker, Ed Kidston, Bill Miller, P. Robert Meuleman, coach.

FRONT: Jeff Gunn, Mike Funkhouser, Jerry Burt, Russell Slee, Brook Bandeen; BACK: Curt Bandeen, Doug Nearing, Steve Kirkendall, Scott Kirkendall, Steve Ely, Rob Sheldon, coach.

Golf Adds Reserve Team

A winning season for the golfers with Rob Sheldon is not something new. Beating Stryker for the first time in at least 5 matches since Coach Sheldon has been at N.C. is new, and was particularly satisfying to the team as they handed Stryker one loss for three attempts this season, 166-178. Another indicator of the success of the season was that the coach lost in compeition with the team members several times throughout the season - a first since he has been coahcing golf. Steve Kirkendall was medalist at most matches and helped the team compile its 7-4 record. As outstanding golfer, Steve was awarded the Eagle Award in golf. Scott Kirkendall got the captain's trophy and Steve Kirkendall was awarded most improved trophy as well. A reserve team of mostly freshmen also saw some action in the 1976 season.

Cathy Reeder, Rosa Kerr, Cathy Deetz, captain; Vonda Aschliman, Angie Eckley, Ronda Aschliman



Scorebox

NC	OPPONENT		
48	Stryker	60	L
52	Ottawa Hills	53	L
53	Hilltop	47	W
57	Fremont, Indiana	63	L
65	Edon	48	W
57	Liberty Center	58	L
65	*Pettisville	64	W
76	*Hicksville	61	W
55	Montpelier	58	L
50	Waldron	60	L
68	Fayette	53	W
66	*Edgerton	OT 62	W
65	*Edon	47	W
61	Hamilton, Indiana	70	L
50	*Stryker	75	L
68	*Hilltop	53	W
51	Evergreen	77	L
70	*Fayette	69	W
53	Camden Frontier	49	W
54	Antwerp	97	L
	TOURNAMENT		
59	Edgerton	62	L

* denotes league games

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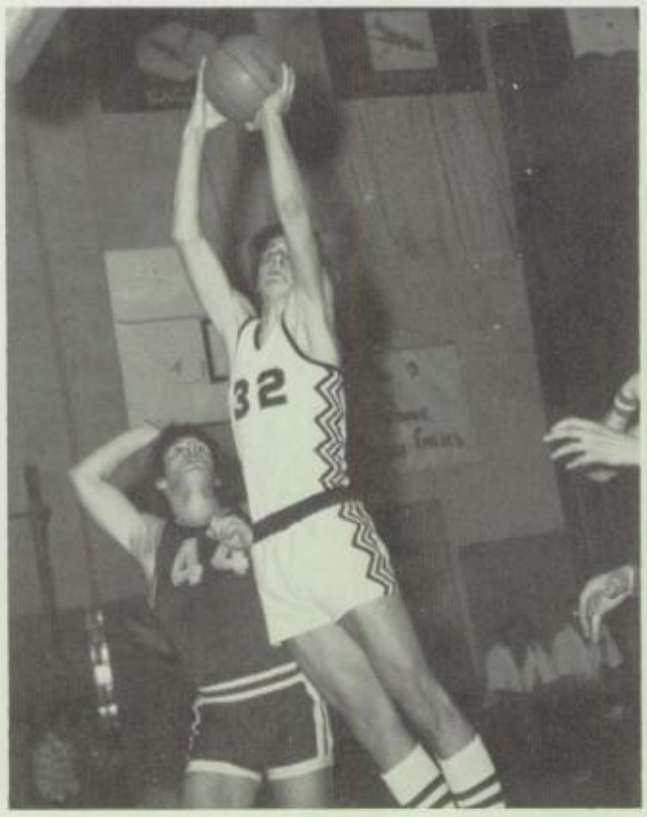


FRONT: Ed Kidston, Gary Martin, Todd Shinabarger, tri-captains; CENTER: Dick Selgo, Jr., assistant coach; Mark Kirkendall, student trainer and manager; Rob Sheldon, head coach; BACK: Lee Steinke, Brian Hulbert, Scott Kirkendall, Steve Ely, Steve Kirkendall, Ken Bell, Bob McKelvy, Curt Bandeen.

Varsity Cagers in Battle for BBC

Varsity basketball gave those involved quite a season of memories. Few will forget the loss to Ottawa Hills by one point when the Eagle attempt in the few remaining seconds of the final quarter missed the mark. Or the Liberty Center game when it seemed like a bad dream in repeat and perhaps somebody up there didn't like us. But Pettisville and a win by one point, followed by Hicksville with a commanding lead and things looked up. Coach Rob Sheldon seemed most excited, however, by the double overtime win against Edgerton and the Fayette win which set up the 5-0 league standing tie with Stryker to be decided in the final game - a change in games thanks to the mountain of snow which played havoc with the schedule.

Jubilation! At last one of those buzzer shots counted - and did it count! Scott Kirkendall's 15 footer on the buzzer in overtime at Fayette still counts as one of the most exciting for most fans. Hopes were high for tournament as NC again faced Edgerton. Again there was an overtime - and another overtime - and a third overtime. NC's play was deliberate and calculated; Edgerton took shots that were a mere prayer. But the result was the end of an exciting season as NC went down 62-59.

Awards went to Scott Kirkendall as most outstanding and also for best field goal percentage; to Gary Martin for best free throw percentage; Todd Shinabarger, most improved and Steve Ely for rebounding. Scott and Gary were named BBC second team and Todd got honorable mention. Scott was voted honorable mention District 7 and played for the West team in the All Star game at T.U.

Freshmen Show Talent; Win BBC

With a ten win and three loss record, Buckeye Border Tournament Championship would be series of games to look forward to. And with the talented freshman team this was as it should be. However the championship ended up one game, as N.C. drew the bye in the first round and then first-round winner Fayette forfeited the second round. But what a game it was. Final score was North Central 28, Pettisville 26. Besides winning the tournament that game also revenged the earlier season loss at Pettisville where it seemed the young Eagles could do nothing right in the second half.

N.C.'s other two season losses came at the hands of larger schools; Evergreen with a score of 41-35; and Bryan, 51-47.

Awards for the season went to Brook Bandeen for rebounding and Doug Nearing for leading scorer.

BOTTOM: Tami Carrothers, alternate; Linda Bennett, Deanne Smith; TOP: Donna Robison, Susie Orcutt, captain.

FRONT: Scott Sparks, Kevin Aschliman, Alan Williams, manager; Rick Brink, coach; Brook Bandeen, Jerry Burt; BACK: Russ Slee, Alan Bexten, Jerry Spencer, Billy Micherman, Jon Swartz, Doug Nearing.

J.V.'s Turn Their Season Around

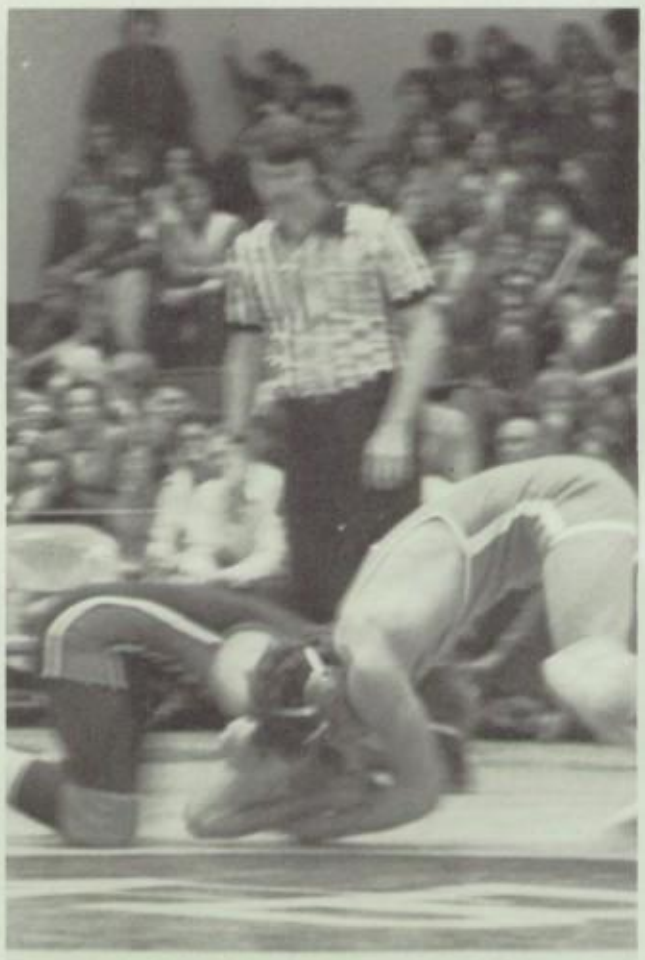
Under first-year coach, Dick Selgo, Jr., the reserves got off to a shaky start, winning their first game of the season their fifth time on the floor, against Edon with a score of 36-33. But just before Christmas things began to turn around with the Montpelier game which started a four-game winning streak and by the end of the season they were 10-10 for the year.

Highlights of the year for the team had to include the 60-46 win over the Montpelier Locomotives in which Todd Martin scored 24 points, and the double overtime win by 4 against Waldron. Dave Nixon got an award at the winter awards program for best free throw percentage for the team.

FRONT: Curt Bandeen, Lynn Parker, Mike Funkhouser, Al Henry; BACK: Jeff Gunn, Bob McKelvey, Todd Martin, Dave Nixon, Mark Kirkendall, manager; Dick Selgo, Jr., coach; George Bible, Dan Oyer, Terry Hendricks.

Gwen Reeder, Brenda Sumner, captain; Robin Spencer, Barb Boetz.

FRONT: Wayne Dohm, Tim Richman, Jon Logan, Bob Snyder, Frank Downing, Jim Dupire; MIDDLE: Scott Keesecker, Todd Sniadecki, Lance Lockwood, Joe Burkard; BACK: Steve Lundy, assistant coach; Scott Rickman, Scott Eidenier, Jeff Wiles, Ted Frame, Jay Wiles, Chuck Mason, head coach.



Lack of Experience Hinders Season

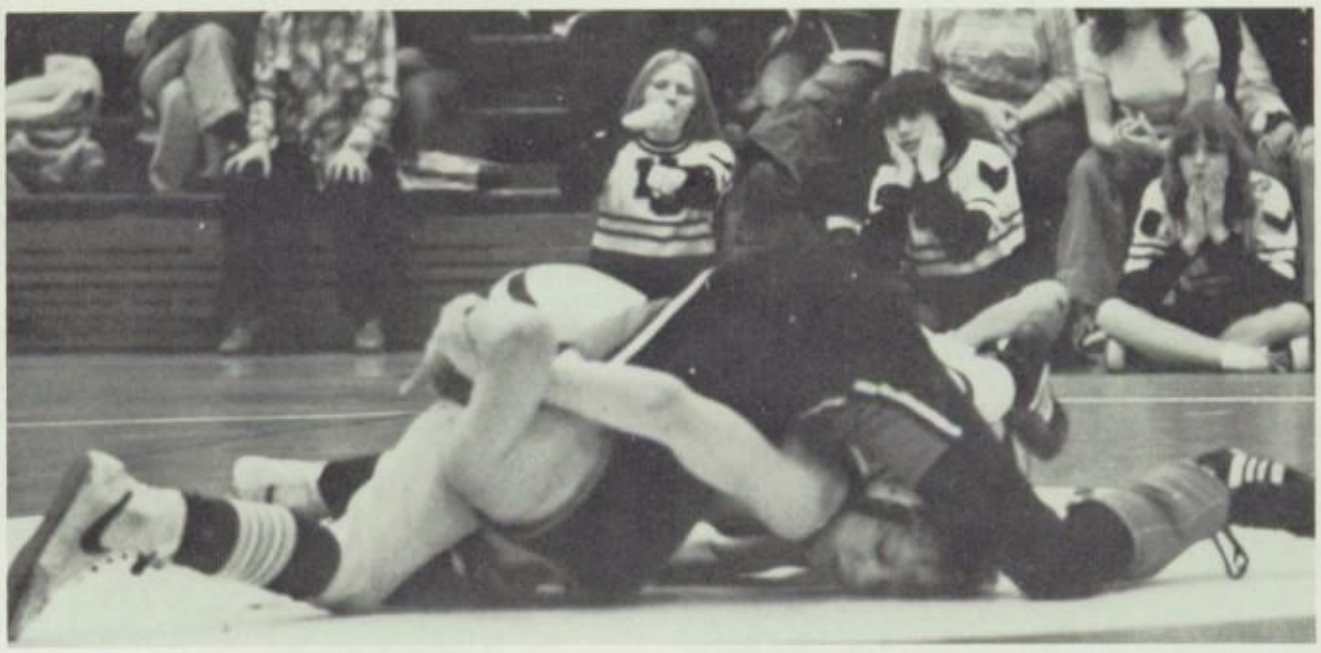
Finishing with a 3-9 season record by far doesn't tell the whole story of the year for the NC wrestlers. Twelve of the team members were in their first year of wrestling and the other 5 were only in their second year. With no third or fourth year wrestlers, this was definitely a rebuilding year.

There were some bright spots in the season including Scott Keesecker's first place win at the BBC tournament at Edgerton. Jim Dupire placed 3rd, as did Jon Logan and Jeff Wiles, while Frank Downing and Lance Lockwood took 4th in their weight classes at the BBC.

Frank Downing and Scott Keesecker placed at Sectional and qualified for District.

Scott Keesecker got the Eagle Award for wrestling and also an award for most pins, most takedowns and first in BBC.

Todd Sniadecki was named most improved and Frank Downing and Jon Logan shared most take downs award.



Teresa Brown, Lori Motter, DeAnna Frack, alternate; Kathy Scott, captain; Patti Pierce.

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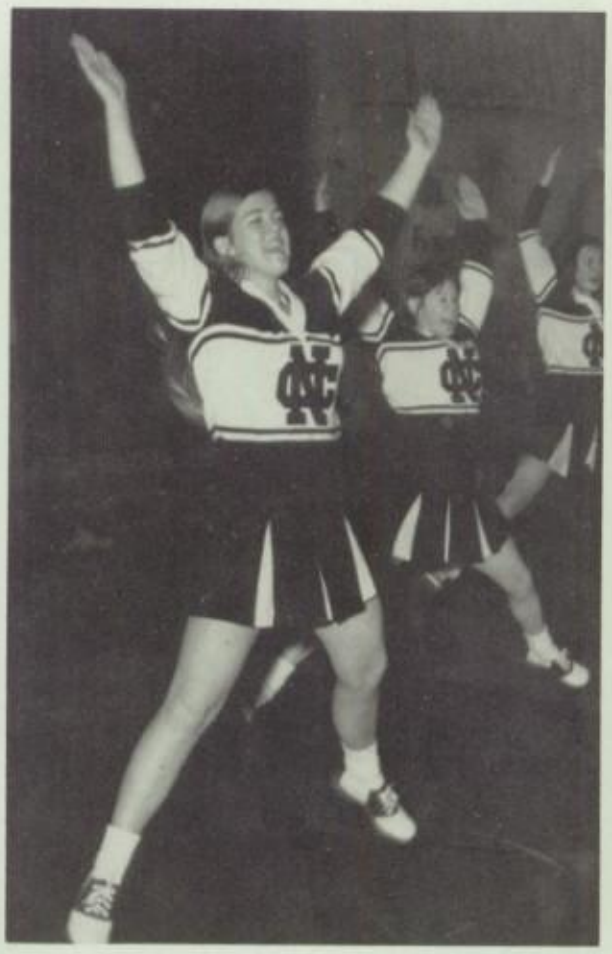

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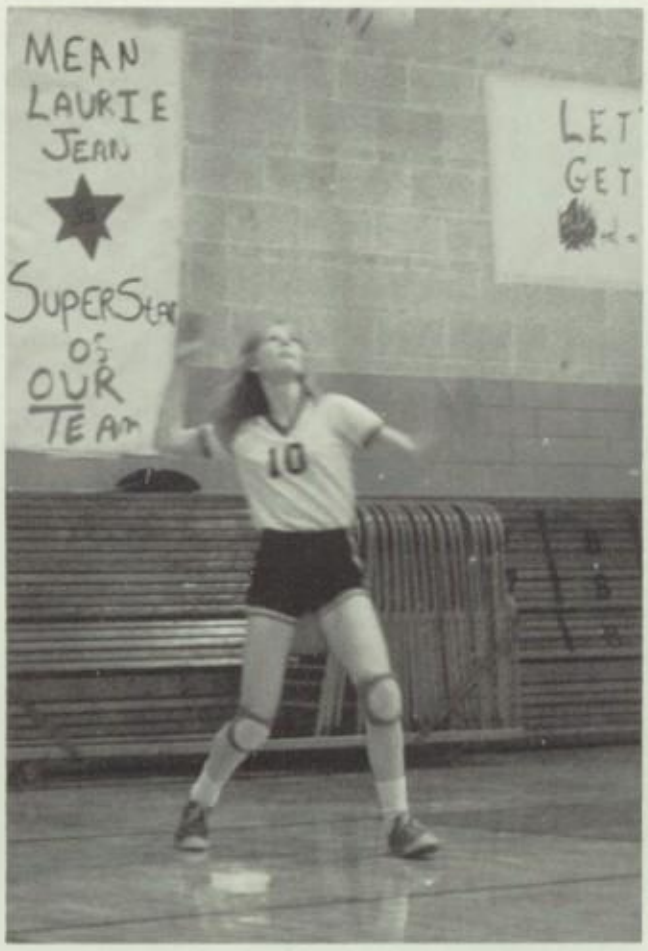
CENTER: DeAnna Frack; FIRST: Tami Carrothers, Susie Orcutt, Angie Eckley, Linda Bennett, Deanne Smith, Donna Robison; SECOND: Robin Spencer, Rosa Kerr, Cathy Deetz, Barb Boetz; THIRD: Patti Pierce, Vonda Aschliman, Teresa Brown; FOURTH: Gwen Reeder, Lori Motter, Ronda Aschliman, Kathy Scott, Brenda Sumner; TOP: Cathy Reeder.

Cathy Deetz Named Outstanding Cheerleader

Summer camp in Adrian, Michigan, during August was the beginning of the cheerleaders' year. Fall saw ordering of uniforms and 7th grade tryouts. In order to help pay for uniforms, the girls sold sandwiches, pop and desserts at the Eagle Invitational Volleyball Tournament. At the elementary cheerleader clinic they taught cheers to 4th through 7th graders. Finally season arrived. It was greeted with spirit week, including a bonfire, the "Breakfast of Champions" for the teams and a yelling contest between classes that ended in a very noisy pep session. Spirit boosters and special presents to the team filled the weeks of season along with practices and games. Cathy Deetz was named to a national list of outstanding cheerleaders. Windows were painted in town and signs were put up in an ice storm for tournaments. Spring brought tryouts, selling eggs and jackets and a bake sale to make money for summer camp.



VARSITY: FRONT: Cheryl Gruber, Jean Gruber, Cathy Sentle; MIDDLE: Patti Pierce, Kay Burt, Julie Stephens; BACK: Angie Eckley, Linda Pierce, Sharon Ellis, coach; Rae Leidy, Teresa Brown.

RESERVE: FRONT: Holly Pettit, Barb Lantz, Corisa Bandeen; MIDDLE: Deb Geiser, Linda Bennett, Deb Spencer; BACK: Donna Robison, Susie Orcutt, Sharon Over, Deanna Frack.

N.C. Downs Montpelier; Girls Spike Again

Many who followed the volleyball team this year agreed that its 8-4 record didn't fully show the capabilities of the girls. Highlight of the year was definitely the upset victory over previously unbeaten Montpelier on the Eagle's home court. It took three games, but N.C. came up on top of this mounting rivalry.

BBC teams were chosen with Jean Gruber and Patti Pierce on first team; Linda Pierce on second; and Julie Stephens capturing an honorable mention.

Special team awards were taken by the Gruber sisters; Jean received the captain and Eagle awards, and Cheryl, most improved.

J.V.'s ended up at 500 with a 6-6 record, including a victory over double A school Archbold.

Girls Gain Experience Through Expanded Schedule

VARSITY: FRONT: Sue Bible, Jean Gruber; BACK: Terry Bennett, Holly Pettit, Diane Bible, Jill Deetz, Julie Stephens, Sharon Ellis, coach.

North Central girls ran up only a 6-9 record this year, but gained a lot of experience with only seven team members, three returning lettermen and a definite lack of height.

Captains Sue Bible and Jean Gruber led the team to a 3-3 mark in the BBC, highlighted by one point victories over Fayette in both contests with their Eagles. NC also avenged an earlier season defeat at the hands of Evergreen on their home court by sending the Vikings home from Pioneer on the bottom of the score.

Awards for basketball went to Jean and Sue as captains. Jean also got the Eagle award and most improved was Jill Deetz.

Reserves, with first-year coach Janet Opdycke, were zero for fourteen as they attempted to learn the basics of basketball. Both teams played more games than had been scheduled in previous years.

RESERVE: FRONT: Tammy Sickmiller, Karen Kirkendall, Janet Mick, Carlotta Gambler; BACK: Janet Opdycke, coach; Lori Faunce, Mary Cogswell, Ann Burkard, Susie Orcutt, Rae Leidy.

Seventh Wins Consolation Trophy

Seventh grade basketball team members captured their first trophy as they won the consolation round of the Fayette Invitational tournament after losing the semi-final round to Hilltop in a 33-22 upset game. To win the trophy, they defeated Stryker 35-31.

This young Eagle team, with a definite height advantage over most of their opponents, provided some exciting basketball for their Saturday morning fans as they won seven of their games and lost only three.

Marv Anderson coached the team and emphasized the basics of basketball and teamwork to give the team a sound background for future competition.

EIGHTH GRADE: FRONT: Marv Anderson, coach; BACK: Grant Gilcher, Bob Walz, Jim Gilcher, Eric Carlson, John Frack, Dennis Dohm, Kenny Mocherman, Mike Clark, Connie Spencer, Jodi Taylor, Laura Gearhart, captain; Joie Coy.

Eighth Has 8-5 Season

With only one exception, no team beat the 8th grade basketball team twice; but that one exception was Stryker who took two overtime periods to hand NC a 41-39 hard-fought, exciting losing decision, in the BBC tournament.

This was the second time it took Stryker an overtime to defeat the 8th grade Eagles.

Under Coach Anderson, stressing again the basics of basketball and teamwork, this year's team was a complete turn about from that which had taken the floor as seventh graders the year before.

Most rememberd games for the team, other than the tournament semifinals, had to be the first game against Montpelier and the second attempt agains Edon. In that Edon game, they revenged an earlier loss by beating the Bombers in an exciting and close overtime contest.

TRACK: FRONT: Danny Schmucker, Mike Goeltzenleuchter, Ron Bexten, Mike Harpster, Eric Carlson, Dave Nelson, Scott Ely, Dennis Dohm, Paul Nixon; SECOND: Glen Williams, Pam Lonabarger, Amy Kwader, Robin Beck, Marcia Lambright, Karen Williams, Andrea Duvendack, Shari Pierce, Connie Spencer, Karen Keck, Laura Gearhart, Joie Coy; THIRD: Chuck Mason, coach; Scott Shonk, Bob Wallace, Brenda Semer, Paula Holthues, Alicia Aschliman, Chris Siebeneck, Tracey Downing, Jodi Taylor, Laura Messner, Sharon Brewer, Karen Emler, Cheryl Patton, Wendy West; BACK: Bill Hill, Robert Walz, Rick Keefer, Kyle Fisher, Tim Sarver, Chris Dancer, Cathy Cogswell, Teresa Bible, Cheryl Huffman, Sharon Houk, Julie Gearhart.

SEVENTH GRADE: FRONT: David Grimm, Scott Ely, Marv Anderson, coach; Matt Manley, Monte McKelvey, Scott Stantz; BACK: Mike Grimm, Paul Nixon, Scott Shonk, Mike Slee, Bob Wallace, Dan Kerr, Ron Bexten.

Junior high athletes also competed in girls volleyball and in wrestling but team pictures were not available for these two sports.

FRONT: Tracey Downing, captain; BACK: Brenda Semer, Sharon Houk, Jennifer Crommer.

More Than Forty Run Track

Spring brought some warm weather early and then snow. This was followed by hot weather and then rain. But through it all more than 40 junior high athletes decided they wanted to run track.

They began their season with a win over Hilltop and a third place finish in the Fayette Invitational for the 7th grade team members and a fifth place finish for the 8th grade team. At Hilltop, they broke into two teams, also, with the boys competing as one and the girls as another. Both teams scored wins, 99-10 for the boys and 64-40 for the girls.

Coach for the team was the varsity assistant track coach, Chuck Mason.

One of the most outstanding things about this team was the large number of 7th and 8th graders who were involved throughout the entire season.

Baseball Team Wins Sectional Tournament

The 1977 version of the Eagle baseball team hadn't even faced a team yet when the question arose about "how can we go on the senior trip and play in district finals on the same day?" Dreaming? Maybe. But time and the team proved it was not a dream.

First doubts about districts had to arise when the team suffered a 10-2 loss to the Hilltop Cadets. But assurance grew after the 7-1 game with Stryker in which there were not only several good hits, but also errorless playing.

Then, however, the team was idle for 17 days before they faced Fayette in the first round of tournament and that could have been a big problem. But the team was determined to go all the way and the Fayette Eagles fell, 8-5. On to sectional finals and revenge filled the air at Edgerton as N.C. ran up run after run to turn the Cadets back 14-3. Next stop was Ayersville where they took on the Antwerp Archers. Success came to the Eagles, but not until after a 10 minute "discussion" between coaches and officials about whether or not Scott Kirkendall caught the ball as he collided with Ed Kidston in left field.

District finals . . . spirit and tension was high. After N.C.'s turn at bat in the 7th inning the score was NC 2, Archbord 1. Hold on. But it was not to be; Archbold scored 2 runs and a disappointed team left the field.

Awards for baseball went to Ed Kidston and Todd Shinabarger for outstanding efforts and to Brook Bandeen for his batting average. Todd Martin was chosen to pitch for the West All-Stars and coach Brink was to help coach.

Scorebox

NC	OPPONENT		
5	Montpelier	3	W
9	Wauseon	2	W
7	Stryker	1	W
10	*Hicksville	7	W
2	*Hilltop	10	L
5	*Pettisville	2	W
6	Wayne Trace	7	L
5	Wayne Trace	1	W
4	Stryker	8	L
12	*Fayette	4	W
3	*Edgerton	4	L
8	Fayette	2	W
4	Montpelier	12	L
	TOURNAMENT		
8	Fayette	5	W
14	Hilltop	3	W
8	Antwerp	7	W
2	Archbold	3	L

*Denotes league games.

Note: games in order of schedule; weather changed order played.

FRONT: Scott Motter, Russ Slee, Karl Rohen, Brook Bandeen, Alan Bexten, Lynn Parker, Dave Mitchell, Jon Swartz; BACK: Rick Brink, coach; Dave Nixon, Dave Rutledge, Brian Hulbert, Steve Ely, Scott Kirkendall, Todd Shinabarger, captain; Ed Kidston, Todd Martin, Dan Oyer, statistician.

KNEELING: Linda Pierce, Barb Lantz, Sue Bible, Cheryl Gruber, Diane Bible, Lori Faunce, Chris Trausch; SECOND: Marv Anderson, coach; Teresa Bible, Naomi Alpaugh, Angie Eckley, Terry Bennett, Diane Eckley, Jean Gruber, Donna Robison, Susie Orcutt, Lisa White; THIRD: Jill Deetz, Tina Lashaway, Tammy Sickmiller; TOP: Janet Mick, Becky Leslie.

Four Compete in Districts

Girls track team members added a few new things to the spring girls' athletic program. First they got a new coach, and while that may not be new, for the first time they had a man for a coach. Then they got a trophy - having won the Eagle Invitational Track Meet. And they ended the season with several girls placing in sectionals and advancing to districts.

In sectionals Diane Bible was second in the long jump, third in the 220; Janet Mick was first in the mile; Teresa Brown, third in the shot; and Linda Pierce tied for second with three others in the high jump.

The team as a whole placed third in the BBC track meet, with several team members earning honors.

At the spring awards assembly, Diane Bible, a freshman, was awarded the Eagle award and Teresa Brown won honors for most improved member of the track team.

FRONT: Doug Cargle, Brad Thompason, Steve Kirkendall, Wayne Dohm, Scott Keesecker; MIDDLE: Al Henry, Brad Keough, Scott Eidenier; BACK: Mark Kirkendall, Ted Frame, George Bible, Gary Durham, Jeff Gunn, Chuck Mason, assistant coach (head coach Terry Fox, missing.)

Mile Relay Team Sets New Record

Terry Fox and Chuck Mason changed positions from last year as coach Fox took over leadership of the varsity team. Eagle award in track went to Steve Kirkendall and most improved to Al Henry.
Highlights in a somewhat disappointing year included the 7th place finishing of the mile relay team at sectionals to set a new school record of 3:46.9. They nearly broke the old record in a meet earlier at Ayersville, but were in a slow heat. The team consisted of Brad Thomspon, Wayne Dohm, Al Henry and Steve Kirkendall. Steve also placed 5th in the 440 at sectionals.
Team members participated in several meets, some not previously scheduled, including one at Wayne Trace where the competition was extremely strong.

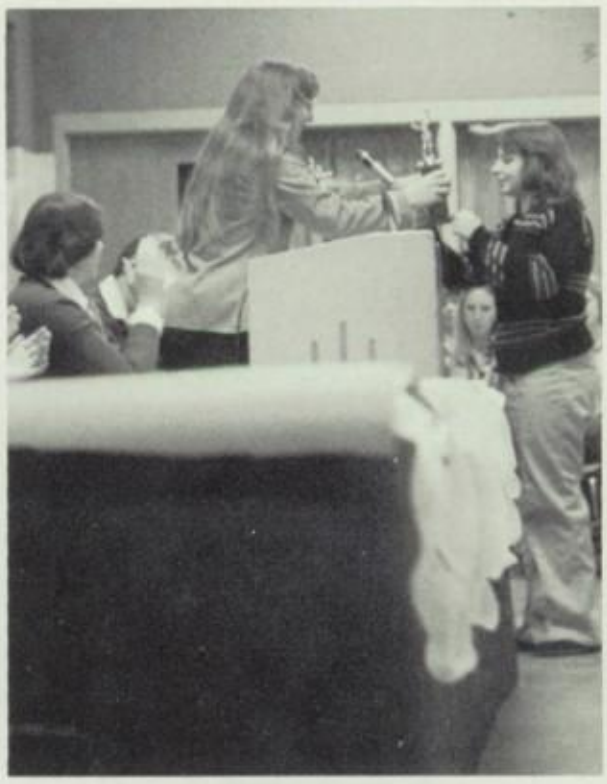
PEP CLUB: FRONT: Donna Guy, Shelley Williams, Marie Clements, Michelle Dupire, Debbie Spencer; MIDDLE: Georgeanne Vargo, advisor; Mary Rivas, secretary-treasurer, Linda Fackler, Jane Walkup, Ann Burkard, Tami Carrothers, Angie Seeman; BACK: Lynn Briner, president; Chris Downing, Betty Grimm, Susan Grimm, Susie Orcutt.

VARSITY CLUB: FRONT: Gary Martin, Doug Nearing, Steve Kirkendall, Todd Shinabarger, Brian Hulbert, Lee Steinke, Rob Sheldon, advisor; Brad Thompson, Kay Burt, Angie Eckley, Terry Bennett, Rosa Kerr, Cathy Deetz; MIDDLE: Steve Kirkendall, Curt Bandeen, Bill Miller, Cathy Reeder, Kathy Scott, DeAnna Frack, Cathy Sentle, Patti Pierce, Julie Stephens, Lori Motter; BACK: Ken Bell, Ed Kidston, Linda Pierce, Teresa Brown, Rae Leidy, Deb Geiser, Jean Gruber.

Four Seniors Honored by Pep Club

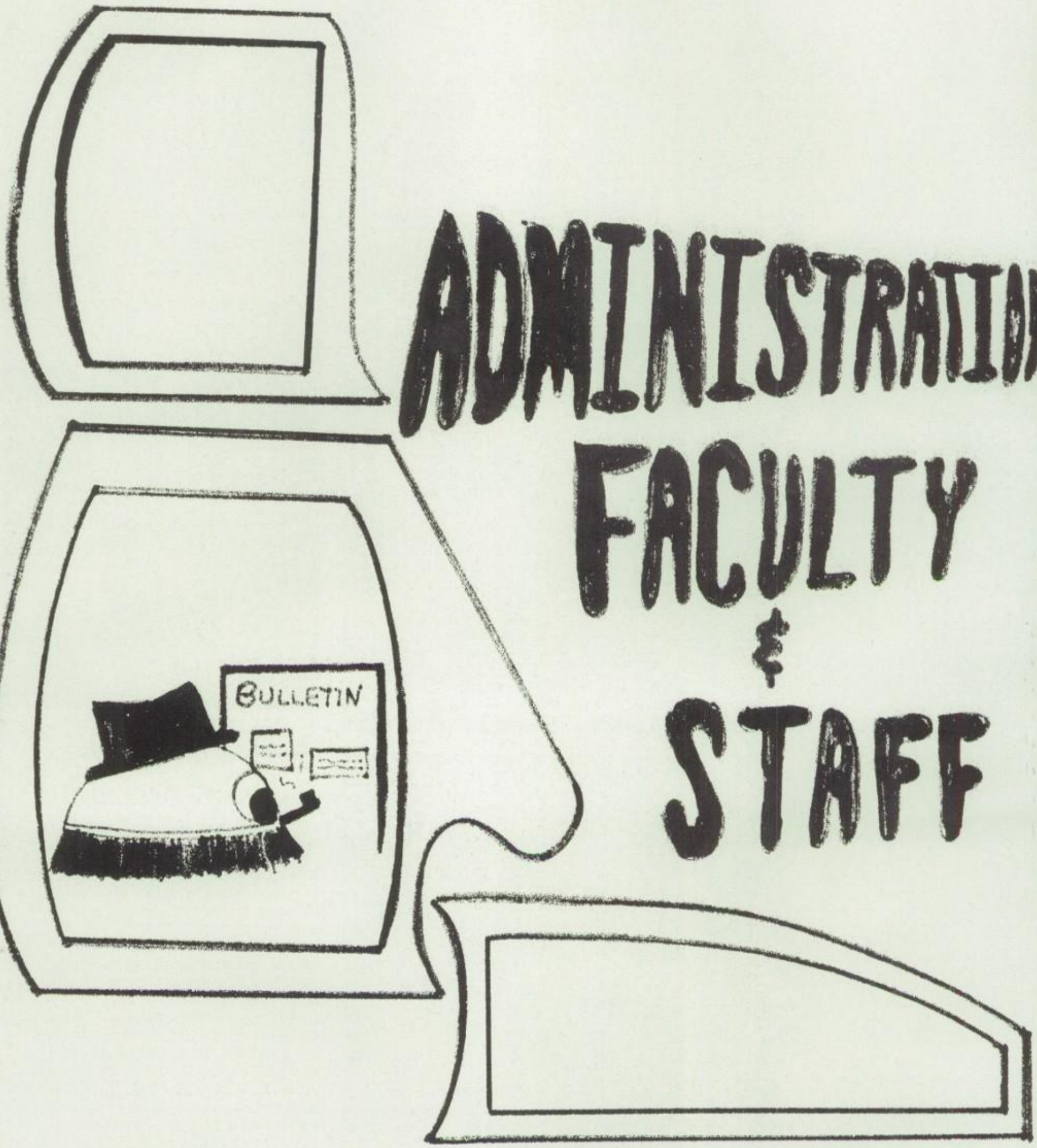
Pep club members were more active than in recent years, as they decorated tables at lunch for such teams as the girls volleyball and cross country teams. As usual, they painted signs for halls and the gym and also joined the cheerleaders in painting windows of stores in town at tournament time. As a group they chose to get pep club sweatshirts and they were in charge of decorations and refreshments at awards programs. Four seniors got special recogniton for years of service: Lynn Briner, Terry Ely, Chris Downing and Donna Guy.

Varsity club was nominally in charge of paper drives, though various sports teams took turns with the actual responsibility. Each year athletes become eligible for the club by earning their varsity letter.



Awards Given at Seasonal Assemblies

Continuing a practice begun last year, seasonal awards programs were held to honor athletes. Top awards were given in each sport as well as all letters and participation certificates and awards. The fall awards assembly was held November 9, the winter assembly on March 15 and the spring assembly on May 18. The spring assembly was later than usual, because of the involvement of spring sports team in sectional and district competition. Even though later than usual, the baseball awards couldn't be presented until the banquet, since the team was still involved in district tournament. The Awards Banquet honoring all athletes was held at the end of May with top senior athletic awards being handed out at that time.



ADMINISTRATION FACULTY & STAFF

NC

High School Principal

GREGG E. MORRIS

Levy Passes; Repair of Buildings Begins

Perhaps the most satisfying event of the 1976-77 school year for the board and administration was the passage of the 2.8 mill levy in the fall. Board members, in addition to the monthly decisions of how to best run the school system, contracted with a company from Lima to repair the building at Pioneer and work was begun before school dismissed in the spring.

Superintendent RICHARD HARPSTER was in his eleventh year as head of the school district. He is also active in the community and is vice president of the Chamber of Commerce.

Principal TOM BALSER took charge over the entire elementary system as well as the junior high which he served last year.

GREGG MORRIS, second year principal at the high school, added advisor to Student Council to his list of responsibilities and oversaw taking of pictures for a slide presentation about North Central High School.

BOB SAUDER, guidance counselor, added to his many duties the generating of interest in a community scholarship fund to which area business and service organizations made contributions. Contributors included Action Precision Products, Eidenier's Gamble Store, Essman Screw Products, Inc., Kustom Fit, Inc., Superior Grain Services, Inc., Levis and Lace CCL, North Central Athletic Boosters and Sesqui Study Club.

School secretaries, PHYLLIS OYER, DARLENE BANDEEN, AND JO CLARK attended a workshop for secretaries at Bowling Green State University during National Secretaries' Week to help them with the many services they provide for the school district.

School Board

JERRY MESSNER, ROBERT GAMBOE, PRESIDENT; ROGER PITTS, RICHARD OXENDER, CLERK; TED SMART AND ROBERT HUFFMAN.

Superintendent

Richard K. Harpster

Secretary

Phyllis Oyer

Tom Balser

Principal, Junior High

Jo Clark

Secretary

Bob Sauder

Guidance Counselor

Social Studies

A first for the social studies department this year was the division of teaching American history between the junior high and the junior year in high school. GRACE RININGER, who has taught in the North Central system for 15 years, handled the history of the United States up to the civil war in her 8th grade history class. RICK BRINK, who also taught sociology, psychology, and government, began with the civil war in the junior American history course. Mr. Brink also coached the freshman basketball team and the varsity baseball team as well as served as sophomore advisor.

Rounding out the social studies department at the junior high was CHUCK MASON who taught 7th grade Ohio history, as well as physical education. He also served as junior high track coach. At the high school, Mr. Mason taught world history mini courses and was varsity wrestling coach.

GEORGEANNE VARGO taught one of the world history mini courses each semester as well as taught the secretarial business courses.

Grace Rininger

Chuck Mason

Richard Brink

Georgeanne Vargo

P. Robert Meuleman

Rob Sheldon

Richard Selgo, Junior

Health and Physical Education

Health and elementary and girls physical education was handled by DICK SELGO, JR., in his first year of teaching. He also served as assistant basketball coach, being in charge of the reserve team.

ROB SHELDON taught physical education, science and served as attendance officer at the high school and cafeteria monitor at the junior high. He was also varsity basketball coach, varsity golf coach, and advisor of Varsity Club.

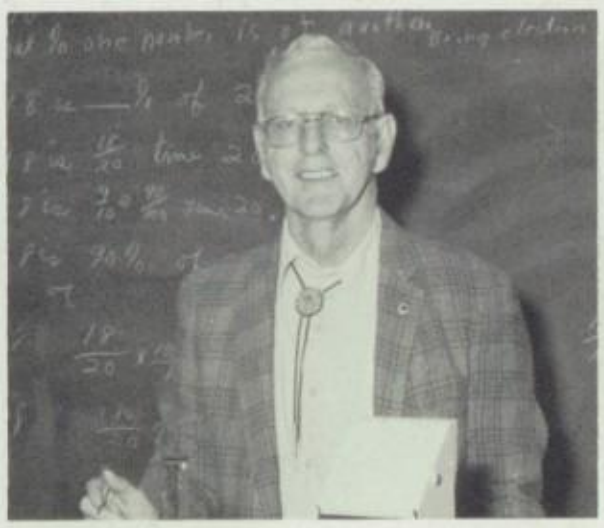
Business Education

Miss Vargo was senior class advisor as well as advised the yearbook, pep club and cheerleaders. She also advised the production of the newspaper.

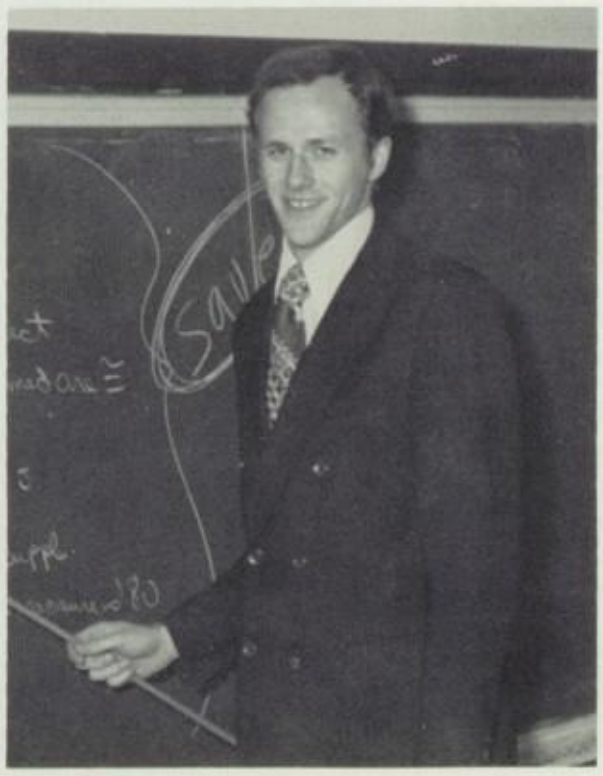
P. ROBERT MEULEMAN taught all the non-secretarial business courses, as well as speech and drivers education. A first for the business department was a consumer math class taught by Mr. Meuleman. Besides his teaching duties, Mr. Meuleman coached cross country and advised the junior class.

Science

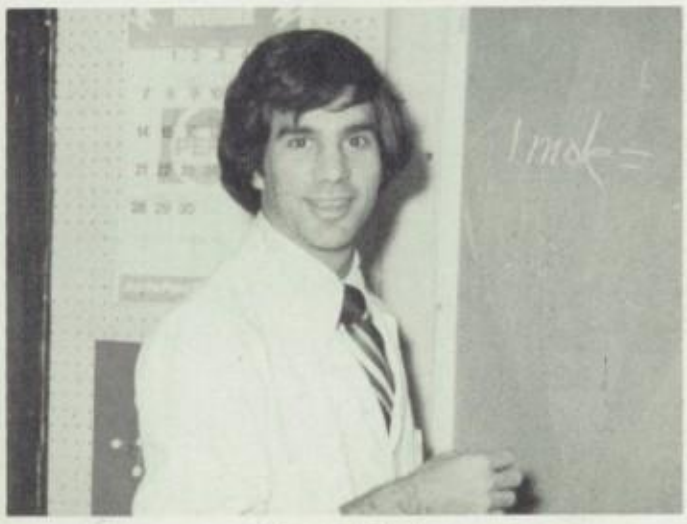
Terry Fox



Russell Oxender
Marvin Anderson



Sharon Ellis



Stan Sobel

Two members of the science department were in the three finalists for outstanding science teacher in Northwestern Ohio. They were SHARON ELLIS who teaches at the junior high and TERRY FOX of the high school staff. Miss Ellis taught physical education and coached the girls volleyball and basketball on the varsity level as well as performed her science duties. Mr. Fox taught chemistry, physics, general science and a new course in the curriculum, ecology. He was also boys varsity track coach.

STAN SOBEL completed the science department as he taught biology and general science. He also taught civics in the social studies program. Along with Terry Fox, Mr. Sobel was in charge of the annual Science Fair which was held in May.

MARV ANDERSON was a new addition to the math department this year. He was also freshman class advisor and coached 7th and 8th grade basketball, as well as girls varsity track.

RUSS OXENDER completes the math department, having taught at the junior high. This was Mr. Oxender's 12th year at North Central.

Faculty Performs at Christmas Assembly

Many of North Central's teachers instructed classes in more than one department. The staff as a whole was relatively young in age and overall, young in ideas. At Christmas, several members of the high school staff surprised the student body by performing "Twas The Night Before Christmas" at the assembly, led by choral director Lynn Lamberson.

Terry Fox became a proud poppa on Saturday, December 18, and at last could stop saying no to questions from students and faculty asking: "Has she had the baby yet?" Gary Miller greeted a new baby son about a month later.

Dick Selgo, Jr., and Rob Sheldon participated in the Cincinnati Bengals versus area coaches game at Bryan which turned out to a disappointment in that the players were late and those who came were not-so-well-known members of the Bengals. Chuck Mason also participated in his sport, wrestling; as did coaches Bob Meuleman and Marv Anderson, in track in the spring.

Stan Sobel helped to organize a luncheon at the Holiday Inn at the end of the year for the faculty and staff and Terry Fox, welfare chairman, presented wedding gifts to three teachers who planned weddings for July: Beth O'Conner and Steve Lundy, of the elementary staff, and Chuck Mason of the high school staff.

FRANCES CROW and BETTY HELLER, both on the junior high school staff, celebrated milestone in education at North Central this year, as Frances celebrated her 25th year and Betty her 20th at North Central. Frances taught language arts, as did Betty (Julia) who was also the librarian at the junior high.

ROBERTA OXENDER served as librarian at the high school. She also taught Spanish, a class in which her students enjoyed making pinatas at Christmas as well as heard from people in the community who had been to a Spanish speaking country. She was also advisor to the Honor Society.

As class advisor to the seniors, DARWIN KRILL, was invited to give the graduation message this year. He taught several of the mini courses in English at the high school and was director of the school play. His drama classes wrote and performed the plays that were part of the Christmas assembly.

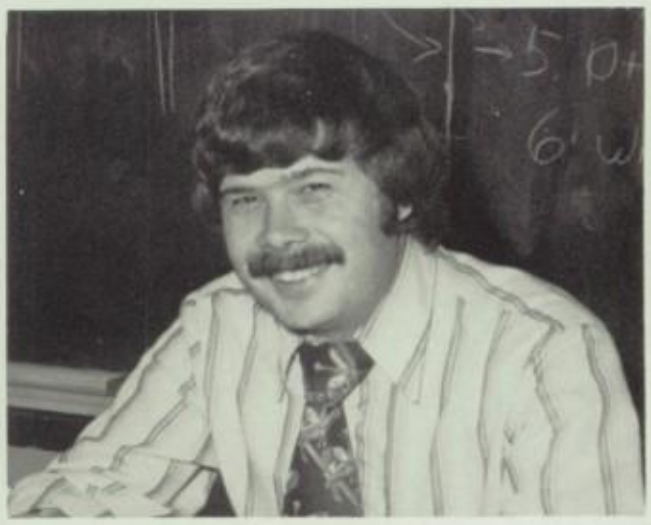
Completing the list of class sponsors was SHIRLEY PENNER who was also part of the high school English Department. Besides her teaching duties she was advisor of the Future Teachers and was elected president of the teachers organization for next year.

PAM SAUDER was employed as a part time teacher and she instructed journalism and directed the writing of the school newspaper.

Betty Heller

Pam Sauder

Frances Crow



Darwin Krill

Lynn Lamberson

Roberta Oxender

Shirley Penner

Vocational Education

Gary Miller

Pete De Lille
Rena Trautman

Pat Cole

Elroy Schoreder, Jr.

RENA TRAUTMAN, art instructor, had her own arts works on display at Cinema I and II in Toledo during the month of September. She also had two students rank high in a district art competition in Defiance.

LYNN LAMBERSON, chorus director, led his singing group to their fifth consecutive #1 rating in state competition. He was also in charge of all vocal music at N.C. and worked with other teachers on the elementary program "It's a Small, Small World."

Completing the fine arts department was PETE DE LILLE, first year teacher and band director. Under his direction, the band got an excellent rating at state. Combining his efforts with a group of music boosters, he oversaw the selection of new band uniforms made possible my money making projects including a beef raffle in the fall and a very successful car raffle in the spring.

Vocational Education came under the direction of PAT COLE in home economics. Along with her teaching duties, Miss Cole advised the FHA and supervised them to their third consecutive Award of Merit. She also taught an adult sewing course in late winter.

ELROY SCHROEDER also taught adult classes, drawing upon local resource persons for furthering adult education in vocational agriculture. Besides his teaching duties, Mr. Schroeder advised the FFA to a superior rating in the state.

Completing the faculty was GARY MILLER, industrial arts teacher. Along with Terry Fox, besides his normal teaching duties, Mr. Miller organized a chess tournament in the fall. Mr. Miller resigned before the year was completed to take a job in industry.

More Than Classtime Spent by Faculty

A variety of non-classroom duties added to the activities of North Central's faculty. High school faculty members were challenged in the fall by the girls volleyball team and then in the spring by the seniors to a basketball game. Recapturing their youth, the men's team defeated the volleyball team, but came up short against the basketball competition.

Besides their teaching duties there were teachers meetings, sometimes amounting to one a week if one counted departmental meetings, committee meetings and regular full-staff meetings, as well as the In Service Day at Bryan High School for the entire county in February. Staff members were also called upon to write curriculum guides for all their classes and also spent some time after school supervising detention hall and putting up bulletin board displays on the hall bulletin boards.

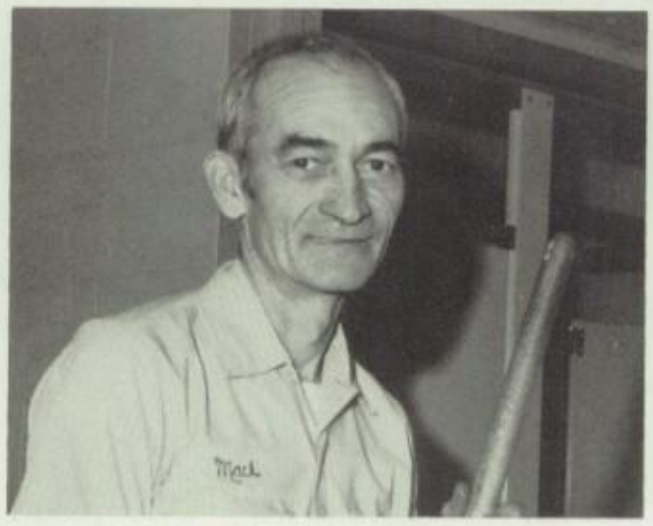
Also, nearly weekly - but especially noticeable at Christmas time - several teachers provided "goodies" to eat in the teachers lounge. Some teachers were lucky enough to have a planning period early enough in the day to get there before certain members of the staff devoured them. At the end of the year, there were even doughnuts compliments of Rob Sheldon and Bob Meuleman.

Staff Provides Services

Weeks before school started, bus drivers and maintenance personnel were at school getting ready for the doors to open. Bus drivers, including LEE HENRY, JUDY WALKUP, MILLIE BRANHAM, ELDEN MARTQN, JIM FISER, DORIS REIFEL, MARGE ORR AND ZELDA BENDER were making plans for bus routes. Then several times a day, day after day, they made the routes, picking up and delivering students. During the fall decisions had to be made about driving in the fog or calling school off. Then with the blizzard conditions of the winter, Lee Henry was often out on the roads at 5:30 checking for drifts. Maintenance personnel, of course, worked through the most of the summer cleaning the building and getting it ready for the new year. Once school was in session the mirror shine wore off the floors, and routine cleaning became an every day matter. In the fall the maintenance staff took on the job of refinishing the gym floor. LEE HENRY, MACK CARGLE, JIM FISER AND FRANK DEAN and sometimes EMMET ESTERLINE were called upon for special occasions to put the tarp covering the gym floor to protect it during music concerts, the Home and Products Show and the Antique Show. But the things they were called on for most was probably the use of their master keys. MARILYN BEALS and her cafeteria staff hosted the Ohio Schools Food Service Associaton meeting and dinner in February. Of course, daily WILMA WHITNEY, TILLIE FRYMIRE, MARIE JONES AND THELMA HYLANDER were busy preparing food at the Pioneer building and VELTAH OYER, DARLENE FISHER and MARIE BOWERS were feeding hungry kids at Kunkle.

FRONT: Lee Henry, Judy Walkup, Millie Branham, Elden Martin, Jim Fiser; BACK: Doris Reifel, Marge Orr (Zelda Bender, absent).

Ed Frymire



Mack Cargle

Frank Dean

Jim Fiser

Lee Henry

Thelma Hylander, Marie Jones, Marilyn Beals, Tillie Frymire, Wilma Whitney

Doris Reifel

Elizabeth Smith

Karen Wasnich

Hard to Keep School Running Without Aides

Special services were provided throughout the year by DORIS REIFEL who served as cashier for the high school lunches and as lunchtime supervisor in the Pioneer building. KAREN WASNICH, in addition to her help in the offices, and ELIZABETH SMITH coordinated playground activities for the elementary at Pioneer and Kunkle.

Members of the staff joined with the board and faculty for a pot luck dinner, which was originally set for February 2, but had to be postponed because of a snowstorm, April 13.

School nurse, BARB WIXOM, became a familiar person around NC this year as she assisted with the swine flu shot program in the fall and with the scoliosis testing of middle school and junior high school age students in the winter. She also participated in the kindergarten screening in the spring.

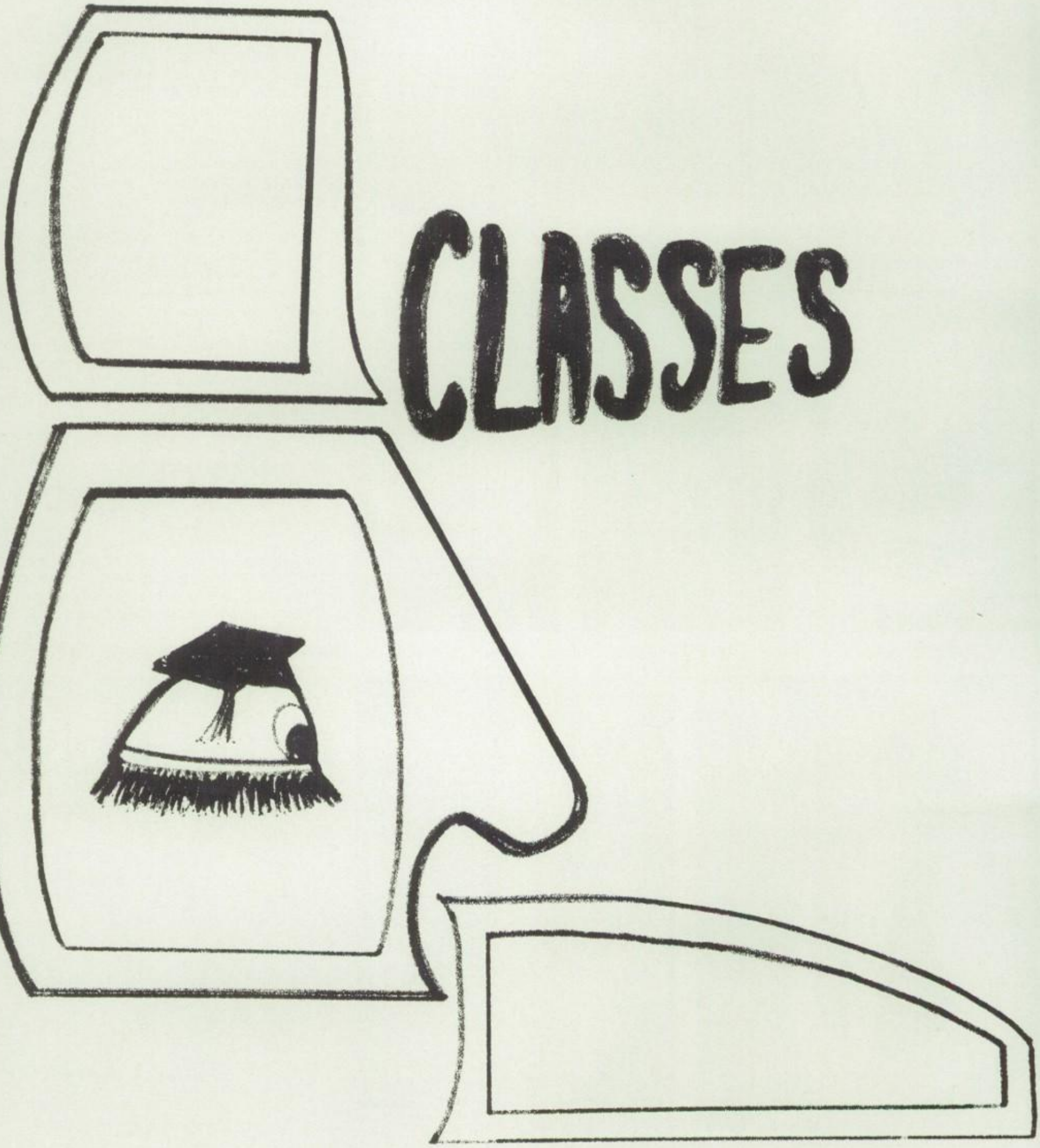
DR. MARILYN SMITH, school psychologist, assisted with testing and also worked with individual students throughout the year.

When it really comes down to it, there are times when the school doors might as well not even open without the presence of the staff pictured on these two pages; in fact, in many cases the doors couldn't be opened because someone had to be around who had a master key.

Barbara Wixom

Marilyn Smith

Veltah Oyer, Darlene Fisher, Marie Bowers


CLASSES

SENIOR

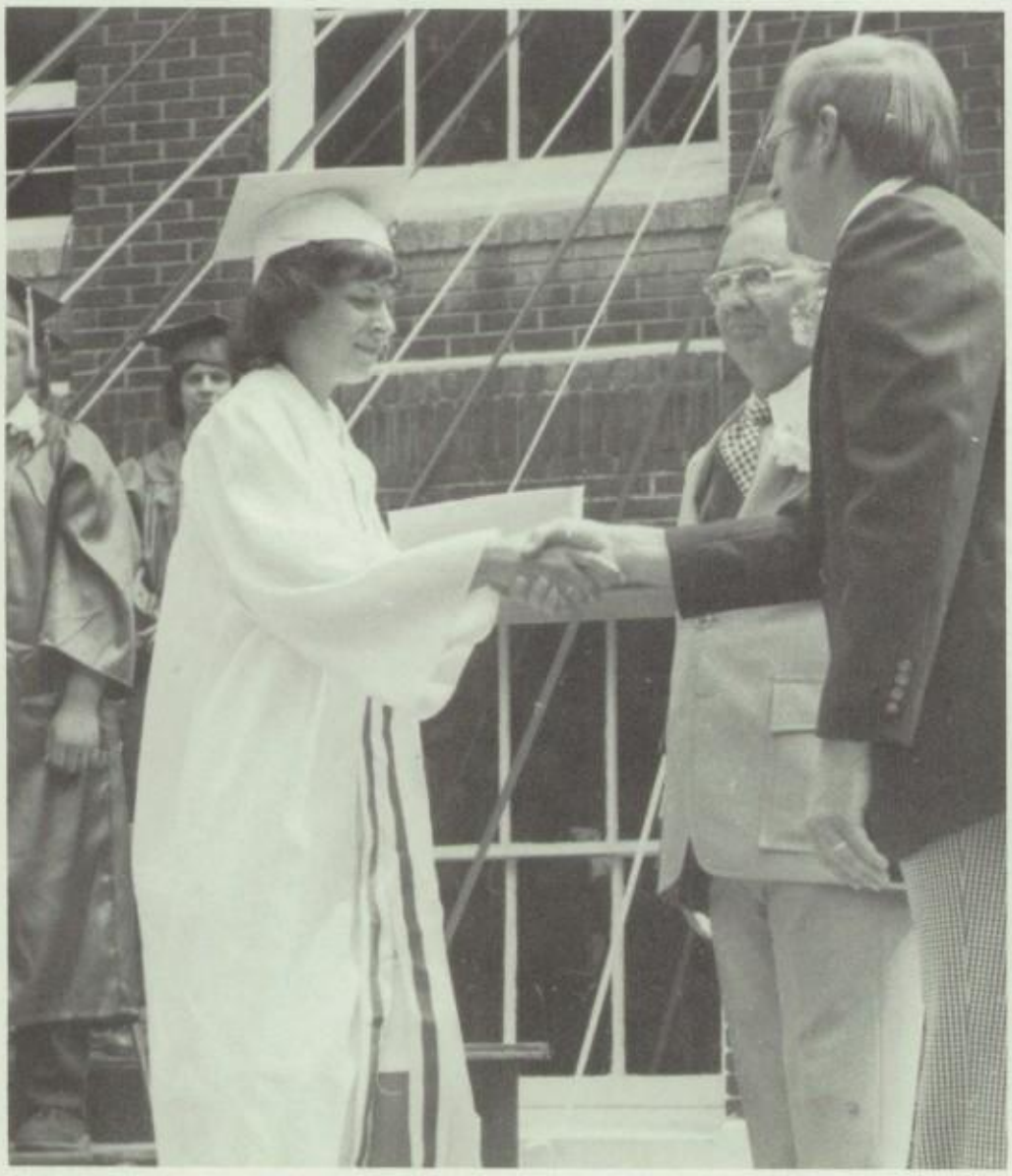
Seniors Set Record With Magazine Sales

School was just beginning and already the seniors had a project. Early in the fall they began selling magazines. Top salesmen were Susan Bible and Sandy Sickmiller, each having made more than $200 profit towards their senior trip. Shortly after the sales began however, the class got a shock; one of their classmates, Richard Hagelbarger, had been killed in a car accident. But the busy life of a senior continued. Picture proofs arrived and the class ordered their pictures. Then came career day at Four County. Caps and gowns and announcements were then chosen and the class decided to graduate in light and dark green, but keep the color of white by using a white carnation on gowns. Moving into winter, the class members kept busy and Cathy Deetz was chosen to represent the entire school as Homecoming Queen. Kathy Funkhouser was chosen senior attendant.

Ronda Aschliman

CLASS OFFICERS: Rosa Kerr, vice president; Ed Kidston, president; Ronda Aschliman, secretary; Cathy Deetz, treasurer.

Vonda Aschliman



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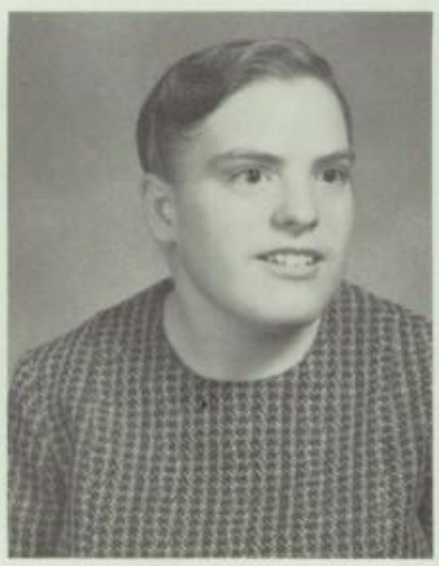
Lynn Briner

Susan Bible
Debra Broadwater



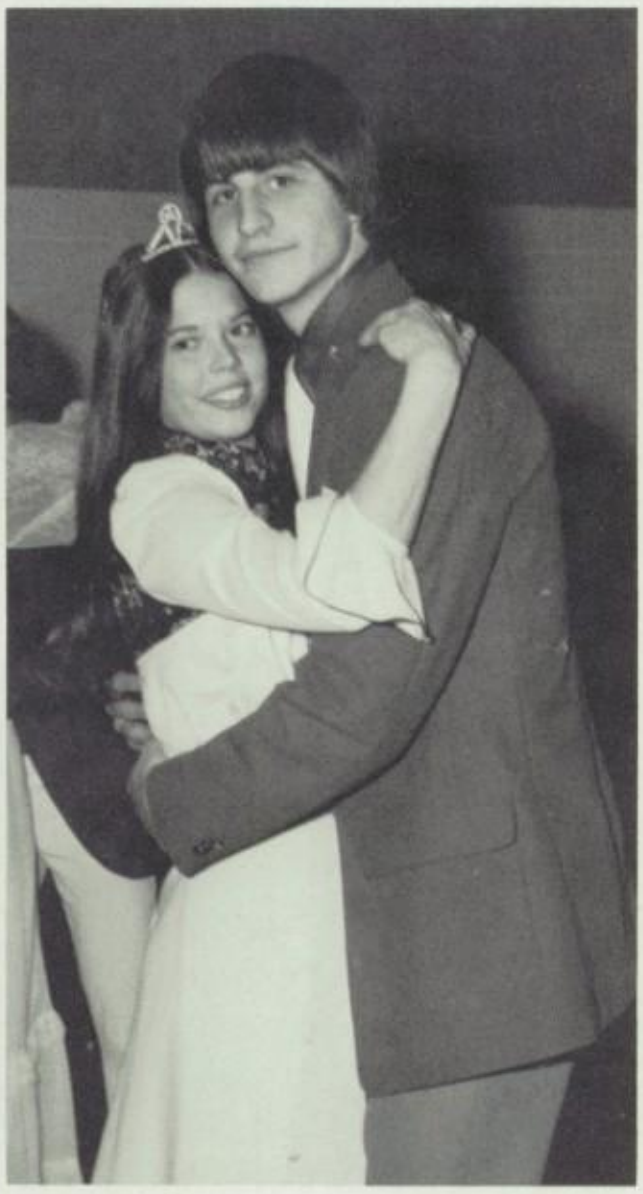
Marty Connin

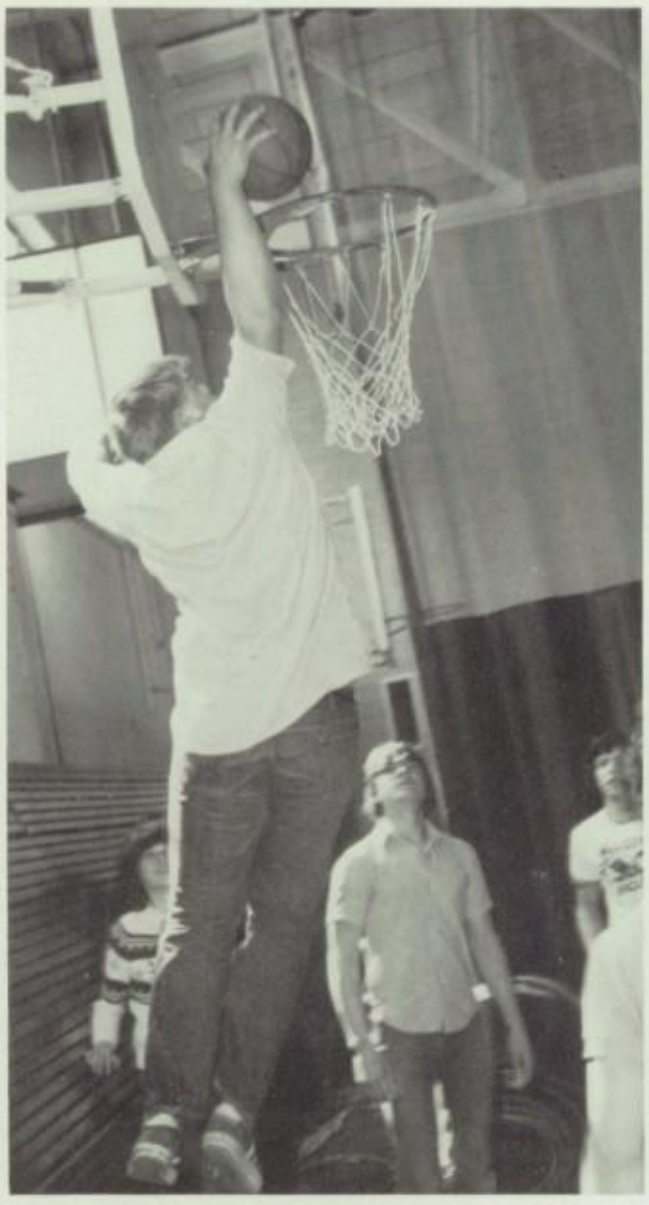
Cathy Deetz

Chris Downing

Eric Duvendack
Terri Ely

Jim Esterline
Melinda Ely





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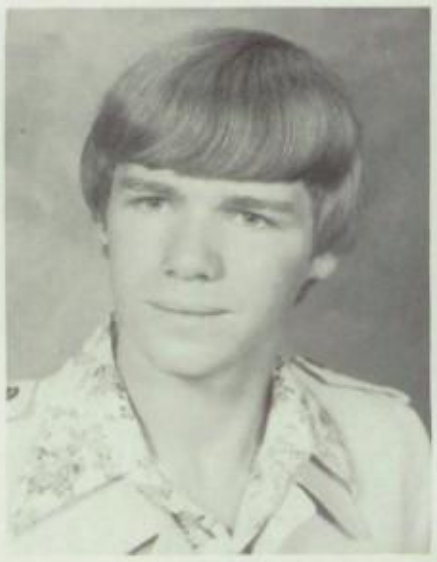
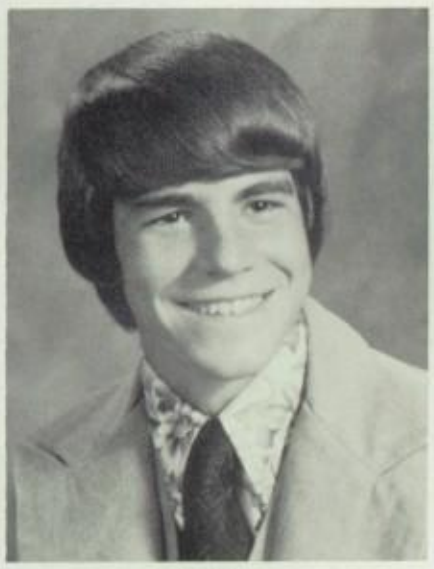
Rosa Kerr



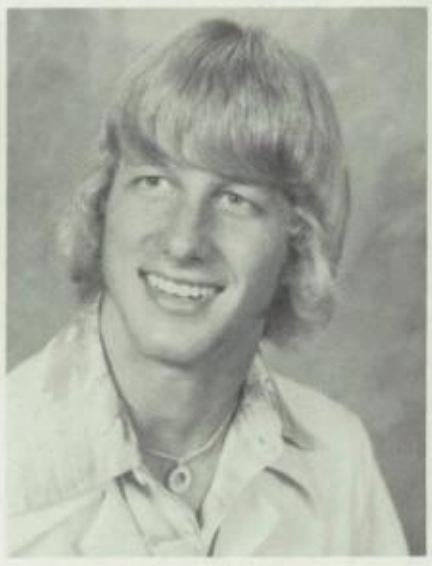
Brian Hulbert
Cindy Keil



Ed Kidston

R. Scott Kirkendall

Steve Kirkendall



Gary Martin

Jeff Martin
Robyn Nixon

Seniors Hold Auction — Twice

During the month of October the class took the ASVAB service test and several class members were seriously considering enlisting after graduation. Many who planned to attend college were beginning to take ACT tests. Late in October, at a class meeting with Mr. Ed Dely of Dely Travel Agency, the class chose Florida as their destination for the senior trip. To help raise money the class attempted to hold an auction. Many nice items were donated, but few buyers showed up at the first attempt held at the Holiday Inn. A second chance was held at the Fire Hall in Pioneer and thanks to the help of some generous people in the community, the auction was a success.

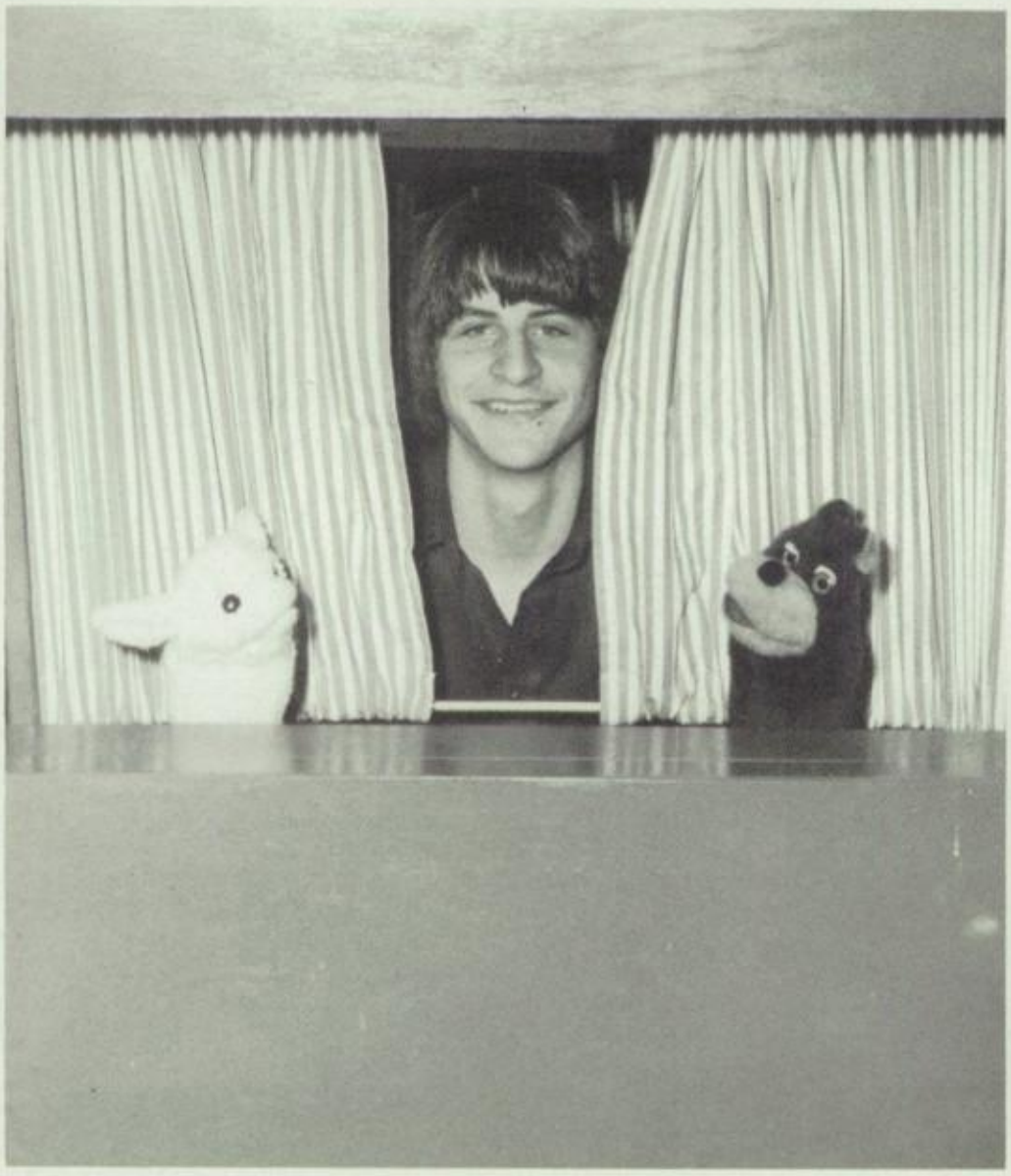
November brought elections in the nation and the seniors in government class held debates and a mock election. It also brought the first basketball game and the senior sock hop after the game. Seniors also won the spirit week competition.

Cathy and Brian Chosen Outstanding Seniors

In March, Cathy Deetz, was named recipient of a DAR award and the seniors hosted the annual senior-faculty basketball game, which the seniors won handily. April brought the Home and Products Show with memorable performances in the variety show by several seniors, some in very unlikely roles. At the awards program, Cathy Deetz and Brian Hulbert were chosen the outstanding seniors and Scott Kirkendall received the General Mills Family Leader of Tomorrow award, based on a test all seniors had taken earlier in the year. Todd Shinabarger represented the seniors in the scholastic test in senior social studies and placed 20th in the district. Several seniors, looking forward to college, applied for a new scholarship given by businesses in the area. Cathy Deetz was awarded the grant. Twenty-four of the seniors and their advisors, Georgeanne Vargo and Darwin Krill, went to Florida for the class trip. Forty-five received diplomas as top students Jim Swarts, Brian Hulbert and Todd Shinabarger gave addresses in outdoor commencement exercises.

Dave Reeder

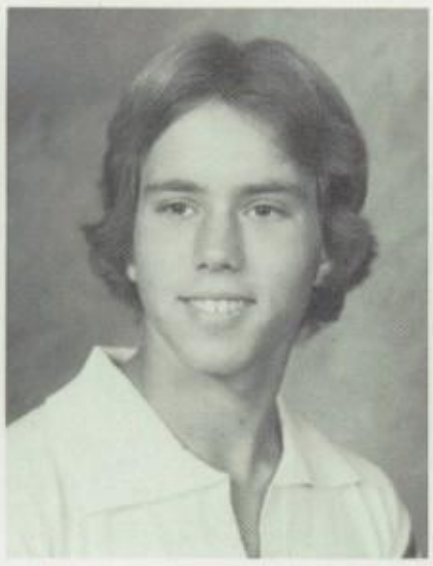
Robin Pettit



Mel Schilt
Mark Schmucker

Melody Schlosser
Todd Shinabarger

Sandy Sickmiller



Jerry Sniadecki

Deanne Sparks

Jan Sumner

Jim Swartz
Jerry Uland

Becky Taylor
Mary Votaw

Norm Wheeler

SENIORS WITHOUT PICTURES:

Michael Brown
John Draggoo
Amy Clymer
Mike Rathke

Jim Alpaugh
Chris Altman
Curt Bandeen
Connie Baughman
Terry Bennett
Jennifer Bickham
Cindy Bistline
Kathleen Brown

Joe Burkard
Kay Burt
Annette Carlson
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Marie Clements
Marcia Cogswell
Rodney Cogswell
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Betty Grimm
Mark Herzog

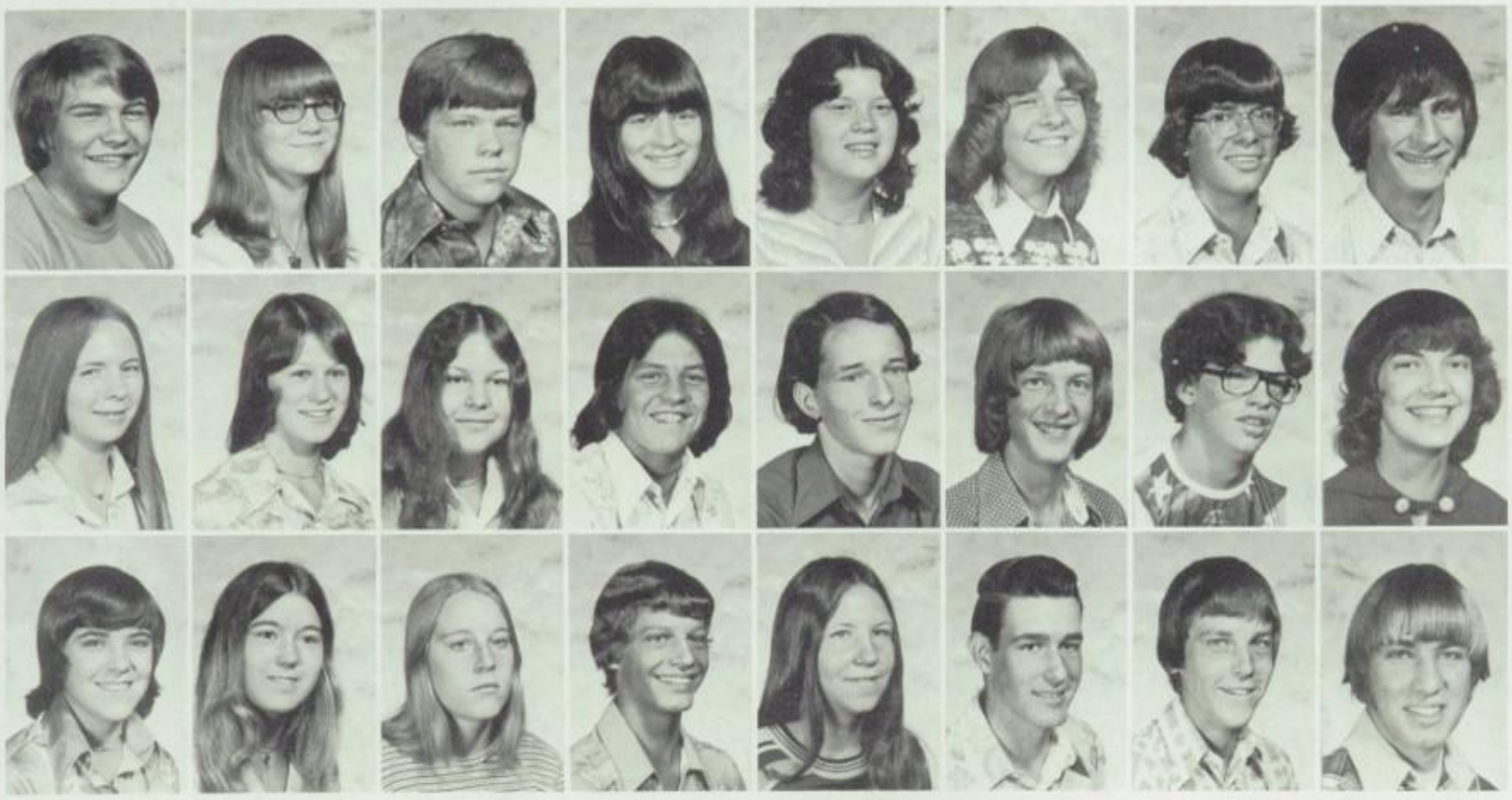
Laura Houser
Ron Huffman
Paul Hulbert
Scott Keesecker
Rick Kendall
Don Kosier
Gene Kreischer
Susan Lirot

Lance Lockwood
Julie Manley
Eric Martin
Mark McClellan
Bob McKelvey
Connie Mercer
Carol Mick
Bill Miller

Juniors Feel Inflation Crunch

Inflation? You bet! This year the junior class had to raise the price of candy in their concessions. It didn't hinder sales, as they came up with about $1,400 in profit. Besides lunch-time sales, the class sold concessions at sporting events, the Home and Products Show, and class secretary Kathy Scott's grandfather's house sale. They also raffled off $100 and a milk can in a raffle postponed because of a snow storm. Winner of the $100 was Cathy Sentle, class treasurer; and of the mile can, Tim Rickman, also a class member. Class advisors this year were P. Robert Meuleman and Shirley Penner.

As always, the highlight of the year was the prom, "Chrystal Blue Persuasion." Joanne Bandeen, class president Curt's mother, was in charge of the food and preparations and class parents helped serve. Silver, blue and white were used in the decorations of the prom. The blue and white were class colors chosen this year to replace an earlier choice. The motto and flower were also changed as the class honored the first North Central graduating class by choosing their colors, motto and flower, One class member, Jennifer Bickham, chose early graduation and went through ceremonies with the class of '77. Class members Curt Bandeen, Ellen Morr and Betty Grimm were chosen for Boys' and Girls' State. Shelly Williams and Cathy Reeder placed in the District in the annual scholarship tests at Defiance.



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Jim Henning
Bill Lambright
Dawn Mapes
Jeff Wiles
Kevin Zuver

George Bible
Barb Boetz
Don Broadwater
Teresa Brown
Ann Burkard
Doug Cargle
Pat Connin
Jill Deetz

Debbie Dick
Wayne Dohm
Michelle Dupire
Andy Eckenrode
Diane Eckley
Scott Eidenier
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Lori Faunce

Jill Fitzenrider
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Jeff Gunn
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Terry Hendricks
Al Henry
Linda Holthues
Deb Huffman
Lorain Hugg
Susan Keil
Mark Kirkendall
Marv Kohl

Deb Kreischer
Paul Kurtz
Kent Landis
Barb Lantz
Tina Lashaway
Becky Leslie
Jon Logan
Todd Martin

Sophomores Get Rings Early

CLASS OFFICERS: Teresa Brown, treasurer; Chris Trausch, secretary; Gwen Reeder McKelvey, vice-president; Dan Oyer, president.

Sophomores began the year choosing their class rings and for the first time chose a school crest to be placed on the rings. Orders were placed in October. In November the class had an introduction tour of Four County Vocational School. In December they took an I.Q. test. Members of the class, and their advisor, Rick Brink, opened the new year with a sock hop after the Fayette basketball game. For a money making project, the class decided to conduct a raffle for $100 to be spent in any store in Pioneer. The drawing was to be February 4, but because of a snow storm, had to be changed to February 18. Many members of the class filled out applications for 4-County for next year and beginning in March most of them walked around displaying their ring finger for all to admire their newest treasure.

Tom McMillen
Ted Mercer
Janet Mick

Sue Moreland
Scott Motter
John Murray
Shawna Nixon
Danny Oyer
Lynn Parker
Holly Pettit
Linda Pierce

Kathie Rademaker
Gwen Reeder McKelvey
Mary Rivas
Tracy Schlosser
Tammy Sickmiller
Todd Sickmiller
Todd Sniadecki
Robert Snyder

Robin Spencer
Barb Stahl
Laura Stanfield
Bill Staniski
Brenda Sumner
Charles Swartz
Chris Trausch
Judy Van Dyke

Jane Walkup
Tina Weber

Lisa White

SOPHOMORE WITHOUT PICTURE:
Jay Wiles

Small Group of Freshmen Enter High School

Less than 50 new faces were seen in the halls of North Central in September, as the freshmen began making their mark on NCHS. Appointed as their class advisor was Marv Anderson, also a new face at North Central. Class projects included a sock hop in April and a car wash, which has become a traditional project for freshman classes, the day of the prom. Individual honors for the year included Deanne Smith and Rae Leidy's first place finish in the Science Fair and Brook Bandeen's high rating in a district math test. Though the class was small, they made their usual trip to the showers in large numbers, as is traditional for freshman classes.

Naomi Alpaugh
Kevin Aschliman
Brook Bandeen
Corisa Bandeen
Diane Bible
Alan Bexten
Linda Bennett
Stuart Bickham

Jerry Burt
Tammy Carrothers
Randy Cogswell
Jim Cousino
Tony Clymer
Jim Dupire
Gary Durham
Todd Ellerbusch

Ted Frame
Carlotta Gambler
Virgil Houser
Brad Keough
Karen Kirkendall
Rae Leidy
Rick Lockwood
Kerry Mapes

CLASS OFFICERS: Sue Orcutt, treasurer; Scott Sparks, president; Corisa Bandeen, secretary; Russ Slee, vice president.

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Bob McDiarmid
Bill Mocherman
Doug Nearing
Sue Orcutt
Sharon Oyer
Vicki Pitts
Lisa Rathke

Myra Repp
Scott Rickman
Donna Robison
Tim Ross
Doug Sarver
Angela Seeman
Scott Semer
Jerry Sickmiller

Russ Slee
Deanne Smith
Scott Sparks
Debbie Spencer
Jerry Spencer
Teresa Stark
Jon Swartz
Gwen Whitis

Alan Williams

FRESHMEN WITHOUT PICTURES:
Jim Buckner
Mary Cogswell
John Gamler

Lee Armstrong
Alicia Aschliman
Janis Buckner
Charlene Burkhard
Denise Burkholder
Eric Carlson
Mike Clark
Penny Connin

Craig Conrad
Joie Coy
Christine Dancer
Danny Demers
Paul Dick
Dennis Dohm
Diane Draggoo
Sherry Durham

Andrea Duvendack
Tim Eckenrode

Karen Emler
Steve Falvo

JUNIOR HIGH BAND: FRONT: Karen Keck, Diane Bexten, Connie Spencer, Chris Dancer, Laurie Gearhart, Amy Kwader: ROW 2: Jodi Taylor, Laurie Messner, Karen Williams, Bobbi Wilson, Melissa Smith, Tracey Downing, Mike Harpster, Todd Rhoades, Scott Shonk: ROW 3: Ellen Hartman, Jeannette Chamberlain, Chris Siebeneck, Paula Holthues, Paul Nixon, Bob Wallace, John McCoy, Julie Gearhart, John Frack, Cheryl White, Kevin Pitts; BACK: Laura Smith, Frank Perkins, Matt Manley, John Kidston, Ron Bexton, Brenda Semer, Rick Keefer, Charlene Burhard, Diane Traxler, David Grimm, Sharon Houk.

John Frack
Gina Gambler
Laura Gearhart
Grant Gilcher
James Gilcher
Jamie Grimm
Mike Harpster
John Herzog

Bill Hill
Paula Holthues
Cheryl Huffman
Renee Hylander
Roy Hylander
Karen Keck
Denise Keil
John Kidston

Connie Kohl
John Kreischer
Amy Kwader
Mike Landis
Marcia Lambright
Justin Lashaway
Julie Link
Pam Lonabarger

ABSENT: Laurel Martin, Teal Rummel

8th Graders Help Chorus Earn # 1

CLASS OFFICERS: Mike Harpster, Amy Kwader, John Kidston

Leann Loomer
Dan Mercer

Jim Mercer
Laurie Messner
Ken Mocherman

James Moreland
David Nelson
Cheryl Patton
Frank Perkins
Sheri Pierce
Kevin Pitts
Betty Rademaker
Linda Righter

Ron Rummel
Debra Sampson
Carol St. John
Ken Scharlow
Thomas Schilt
Melisa Smith
Connie Spencer
Ray Stark

Donna Striker
George Sulfridge
Jodi Taylor
Karl Trausch
Ricki Trausch
Dana Waidelick
Carol Walkinhood
Robert Walz

STUDENT COUNCIL: Tom Balser, Advisor; Laurie Messner, Secretary-Treasurer; John Kidston, President; Amy Kwader, Vice President; Bob Wallace, Grant Gilcher, Julie Gearhart, Mike Harpster, Matt Manley, Sharon Houk, Todd Keller, Kyle Fisher, Justin Lashaway.

Wendy West
Monroe Wheeler

Cheryl White
Karen Williams

7th Graders Tour Columbus in May

Robin Beck
Todd Beck
Diane Bexten
Ron Bexten
Teresa Bible
Linda Brandeberry
Sharon Brewer

Brenda Brown
Jacqueline Buckner
Stephen Buehrer

Jeanette Chamberlain
Kyle Clark
Shawn Clark

Cathy Cogswell
Jennifer Crommer
Kenneth Dancer

CLASS OFFICERS: FRONT: Bob Wallace, President; BACK: Sharon Houk, Secretary-Treasurer; Julie Gearhart, Vice-President.

Tracey Downing
Jon Dupire
Scott Ely
Kyle Fisher
Julie Gearhart
Barb Goeltzenleuchter
Mike Goeltzenleuchter
David Grimm
Brian Gunn
Ellen Hartman
Sharon Houk
Carol Janeway
Richard Keefer
Todd Keller
Scott Keough
Danny Kerr

Matt Manley
John McCoy
Daniel McDiarmid
Monte McKelvey
Paul Nixon
John Rathke

JUNIOR HIGH CHORUS: KNEELING: Jennifer Crommer, Ellen Hartman, Julie Gearhart, John Brack, Cheryl Huffman, Carol Walkinhood, Jim Gilcher, Cathy Cogswell, Debra Sampson; ROW 2: Mike Slee, Scott Shonk, Diane Bexten, Bob Wallace, Tracey Downing, Jeannette Chamberlain, Chris Siebeneck, Melissa Smith, Laura Gearhart, Penny Connin, Danny Demers, Paula Holthues, Linda Brandeberry; ROW 3: Paul Nixon, Julie Link, Carl Rupp, Rick Keefer, Karen Williams, Alicia Aschliman, Jodi Taylor, Cheryl White, Shari Pierce, Karen Keck, Brenda Semer, Robin Beck, Sherry Durham; ROW 4: Kyle Clark, Debbie Trausch, Kyle Fisher, Scott Keough, Roy Hylander, Laurie Messner, Glen Williams, Todd Rhoades, John McCoy, Barb Goeltzenleuchter, Leann Loomer, Laurel Martin, Connie Kohl, Mike Clark, Grant Gilcher, Donna Striker, Charlene Burkard, Betty Rademaker; BACK: Frank Perkins, Robert Walz, Matt Manley, David Grimm, Scott Stantz, Tom Schilt, Connie Spencer, Carol St. John, Teresa Bible, Sharon Houk, Marcia Lambright, Andrea Duvendack, Karen Weber, Joie Coy, Pam Lonabarger, Mike Harpster, Amy Kwader, John Kidston, Eric Carlson, Ricki Trausch, Wendy West, Cheryl Patton.

Todd Rhoades
Ed Richards

Carl Rupp
Tim Sarver

Brenda Semer
Scott Shonk
Chris Siebeneck
Michael Slee
Laura Smith
Joseph Staniski
Scott Stantz

Deborah Trausch
Diane Traxler
Bob Wallace
Karen Weber
Tina Whitcomb
Glenn Williams
Bobbi Wilson

ABSENT: Michael Grimm, Danny Schmucker, Rebecca Randall

Robert Baughman
Randy Bernath
Melvin Bible

Andrew Bilton
Patti Brewer
Clara Brown

Mrs. Julia Leonard
10th Year at North Central

Jean Burkard
Rochelle Burson
Chip Cannon
Terry Cargle
Andy Carlson
Brent Chamberlain

Teresa Clymer
Alan Cogswell
Leland Cogswell
Richard Cogswell
Terri Coy
Larry Davis

Lorain Demers
Casey Downing
Tom Dragoo
Terry Drewyor
Karen Durham
Vicci Ely

John Emler
Roi Filka
Mary Funkhouser
Paula Gambler
Kelli Gresier
Stephanie Grimm

James Hartman
Scott Hays
Linda Herman

Terry Huffman
Candi Hulbert
Greg Joice

Mr. Robert Neff
9 Years at North Central

Dawn Kirkendall
Mike Lambright
Scott Lantz
Melissa Lashaway
Cindy Leidy
Michael Lenz
Randy Link

Ricky Link
Lauri Lonabarger
Laura Loomer
Kristin Martin
Sandra McMillan
Debbie Mercer
Danny Messner

Stacey Miller
Patty Michell
Kevin Oxender
Tammy Parker
Scott Pettit
Penny Phipps
Ray Pierce

Robert Oberlin
10 Years at North Central

6th Graders Go to Camp in October

ABSENT: Janet Delcamp, Dean Douglass, Tammy Fackler, Janie Howell, Greg Herlan, Bill Lonabarger

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Robin Rupp
Stephanie Scantlen
Pam Seeman
Teresa Shannon
Tom Smith
Susan Sparks

Peggy Stahl
Lonnie Sumner
Lisa Thompson
Lisa Thorp
Jeff Uland
Charles Verhoff
Tracy Waidelick

Jay Walkinhood
Wendy Wallace
Perry Wiatrowski
Dawn Youse
Greg Zuver
Melody Zuver

5th Graders See What Boy Scout Camp Is Like

Dave Beck
Karen Brandeberry
Michael Buehrer
Jeff Campbell
Todd Campbell

Suzie Cogswell
Donald Cole
Lisa Cryer
Val Culver

Dana Dancer
Lori Deetz
Shane Downing
Molly Eckenrode

Matt Edlinger
Shellie Eickholt
Teresa Ellerbusch
Leslie Elliott

Mrs. Carol Keesbecker
3 Years at North Central

Dennis Grant
Richard Gunn
Julie Harding
Susan Hartman
Cindy Holthues

Charity Keefer
Shawn Keesecker
Ronnie Keil
Robert Kirkendall
Kathy Leininger

David Loomis
Kristal Mapes
Danny McCoy
Patricia Mercer
Troy Michael

Dawn Munger
Joe Nickloy
Lori Oxender
Chris Patton
Doug Peterson
Glenn Peterson

Marcia Roth
Terry Rummel
Christina Rutledge

Steve Scharlow
Tim Schmucker
Allison Smart

David Smith
Kathy Spencer
Mark Staniski
Mary Stark
Steve Traxler

Anthony Turner
Becky Turner
Theresa Whetro
Kevin Wilson
Gary Zimmer, Jr.

ABSENT: Alan LaCombe, Cheryl Verhott, Shelly Mullin, Todd Hendricks, Dawn Whitcomb, Teacher: Mrs. Molly Duvendack

Michele Andrews
Michael Apt
Barbara Baughman
Paul Baughman

Kathy Bexten
Michael Bexten
John Bilton

Mrs. Marsha Phipps
4th Year at North Central

Danna Brown
James Brown
Kristina Brown
Loria Brown
Stanley Bryner

Stephanie Cannon
Mark Clark
Rita Clements
Lynn Cogswell
Robbie Cogswell

Melanie Cole
Homer Culver
Matthew Dancer
Anthony Domire
Todd Downing

Ray Drewyor
Kevin Eicher
Donna Eickholt
Vickie Eidenier
Sam Ely

Mrs. Debbie Cronin
5th Year at North Central

ABSENT:
Dennis Ellerbusch
Joseph Howell
Charles Repp
Pauline Traxler
Mike Wiles

Spencer Falvo
Aaron Grice

John Haas
Sharla Hays
Troy Hendricks
Debra Hutchison

Carl Janeway
Galdys Janeway
Leah Keller
Steve LaCombe
Faron Lashaway
Eddie Legg

David Lenz
Shirley Loveless
Timothy Martin
James Moon
Joan Nickloy

Lisa Oxender
Brent Parent
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Keith Peterson

4th Graders Play Flutophones

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Sandra Pierce

Ariana Rathke
Kent Runyan

Gene Rupp
Fred Schofield
Doug Sentle
Amy Shirey

Linda Smith
Michael Smith
Eric Stanz
Ricky Steinke
Jeff Taylor

Crysthia Turney
Charles Wasnich
Kenneth West
David Wyrick
Troy Youse

Third Grade Studies Other Countries

MISS JANET OPDYCKE
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Shelly Beck
Steve Blossom
Ryan Brightbill
Marcia Briner
Eddie Brown
Rhoda Campbell

James Cargle
Edward Chapin
Brian Chase
Ronda Cogswell
Kelly Cryer
Wendy Deetz

Christopher Gary
Lawrence Gigax
Connie Greek
Roger Harper
Linda Keesecker
Donald Keller

Kris Keller
Rusty Kerr
Sharon Kidston
Kim LaCombe
Rita Lillard
Terry Loveless

Absent: Michael Padron

MRS. BARBARA GENSLER
Year at North Central

Matthew Martin
Paul Martin
Tia Martin
James McCoy
Kathy Miller
Kenny Moon

Eric Moreland
Fred Myers
Laura Nixon
Curtis Opdycke
Denise Peterson
Tad Phipps

Ty Phipps
Tami Pike
Kelly Reader
Terry Rupp
Kristie Sampson
Andy Sarver

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6 Years at North Central

Darlene Scharlow
David Shadel
Reginald Shock
Julie Siebeneck
Stacey Sink
Michael Smith

Janet St. John
Melissa Trausch
Melissa Turner
Johnny Van Hoosear
Janette Waterston
Barb Weber

Martha Wiatrowski
John Yeager
Leslie Zimmer
Kay Zuver
Tina Zuver

Learning to Write Is New Task for 2nd Grade

Jody Apt
Leslie Barker
Robert Bauchman
Amy Brown
Denver Brown
Ruth Brown

Susan Burson
Dwight Busche
Brian Chamberlain
Sheri Chase

Kim Cogswell
Glen Cole
Sandra Durham
Denise Ellerbusch

Teresa Elliot
Lillian Faunce
Mark Grice
Charles Haines

MRS. WILMA HAMET
30 Years at North Central

Paul Hari
Pauline Hari
Mark Harper
Elias Hartman
Brooke Henry

Deana Hutchison
Shane Keller
Amy LaCombe
Shane Lantz
Charles Leininger

Absent: Mickey Frisbie, Madeline Hiller, Tommy Julian, Tina Miller, Julie Mullin, Angela Padron, Anita Prather

Michelle Leininger
Stephen Loghry
Joseph Martin
Toni Michael
Brian Morris
Mitchell Onstott

Sammy Pettit
Andy Pierce
Tonya Reed
Lori Seeman
Diane Semer
Billy Shirey

MRS. CELESTA OBERLIN
9 Years at North Central

Denise Smith
Angela Siebeneck
Angela Veehoff
Laura Wasnich
Alice Williams

Brenda Whetro
Laura Wyrich
Lisa Wyrick
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Gene Zuver

Books Open New World for 1st Grade

MRS. CONNIE SALISBURY
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Keely Bandeen
Rodney Barker
Daren Borton
Timothy Brewer
Tabetha Britenriker
Elizabeth Brown

Doug Brown
Linda Brown
Louise Brown
Christine Bryner
Lisa Carr
Chad Carter

Chad Champion
Amy Cogswell
Kenneth Cogswell
Cal Coy
Julie Delcamp
Travis Downing

Toni Dreher
Troy Drewyor
Brian Eicher
Michael Elser
Bradley Geiser
Stanley Grimm

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William Howell
Cassie Miller

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Brian Hays
Debra Hendrick
Steve Houlton
Veronica Jones
Lawrence Keefer

David Knepper
Kristen LaComb
Sharon Lirot
Rick Loomer
Kathryn Loomis
Roy McKelvey

Victoria Mercer
Shane Miller
Shawn Miller
Michael Mitchell
Kelley Munger
Amy Myers

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Chris Opdycke
Marvin Pierce
Jennifer Rising
Jayson Scantlen
Sherry Schofield

Jessica Schweitzer
Bradley Sito
Richard Smith
Lyndon Sutton
Leslie Traxler
Lester Trowbridge

Kathy Van Hoosear
Ronald Walkup
Andrew Whitis
Kim Wilder
Tim Wilder
Robert Williams

Kindergarten Classes Learn to Work Together

Kim Apt
Brian Balser
Alison Begg
Sherri Bentley
Jamie Bexten
Jason Balogh
Randy Brightbill
Mary Brown

Lisa Buehrer
Shanna Campbell
Matt Carter
Sheila Carter
Leon Cogswell
Tammy Davidson
Matthew Delcamp
Sally Dickinson

Carol Dohm
Russell Eickholt
Aaron Eidenier
David Elser
Danny Esterline

Tonya Fackler
Wesley Farver
Cindy Feeney
Paul Feeney
Teddie Gambler

Timmy Gibbs
Dennis Harrington
Angie Heller
Kris Keil
Dawn Kunkle

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3rd Year at North Central

Special Education for Special People

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Patricia Dohm
Armando Huerta
William Jones
Mary Mohr

Sheila
Klopfenstein
Paul Randall
Vickie Reeves
Leeann
Thompson
Danny Zehr

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Kerre Martin
Kyle Martin
Lisa Messner
Cherrie Miller
Kevin Moon

Shawnon Moor
Angie Morrison
Shane Myers
Mike Onstott
Kellie Opdycke
Tony Prather
Jason Schroeder
Tammie Schulte

Misty Shonk
Dee Dee Sickmiller
Geri Siebeneck
Laura Siebeneck
Pamela Terrill
Stanley Traxler
Steve Walkup
Angie Williams

Absent: Teri Brown, John Hiller, Lynn Julian, Shane Frisbie, Shelley Miller

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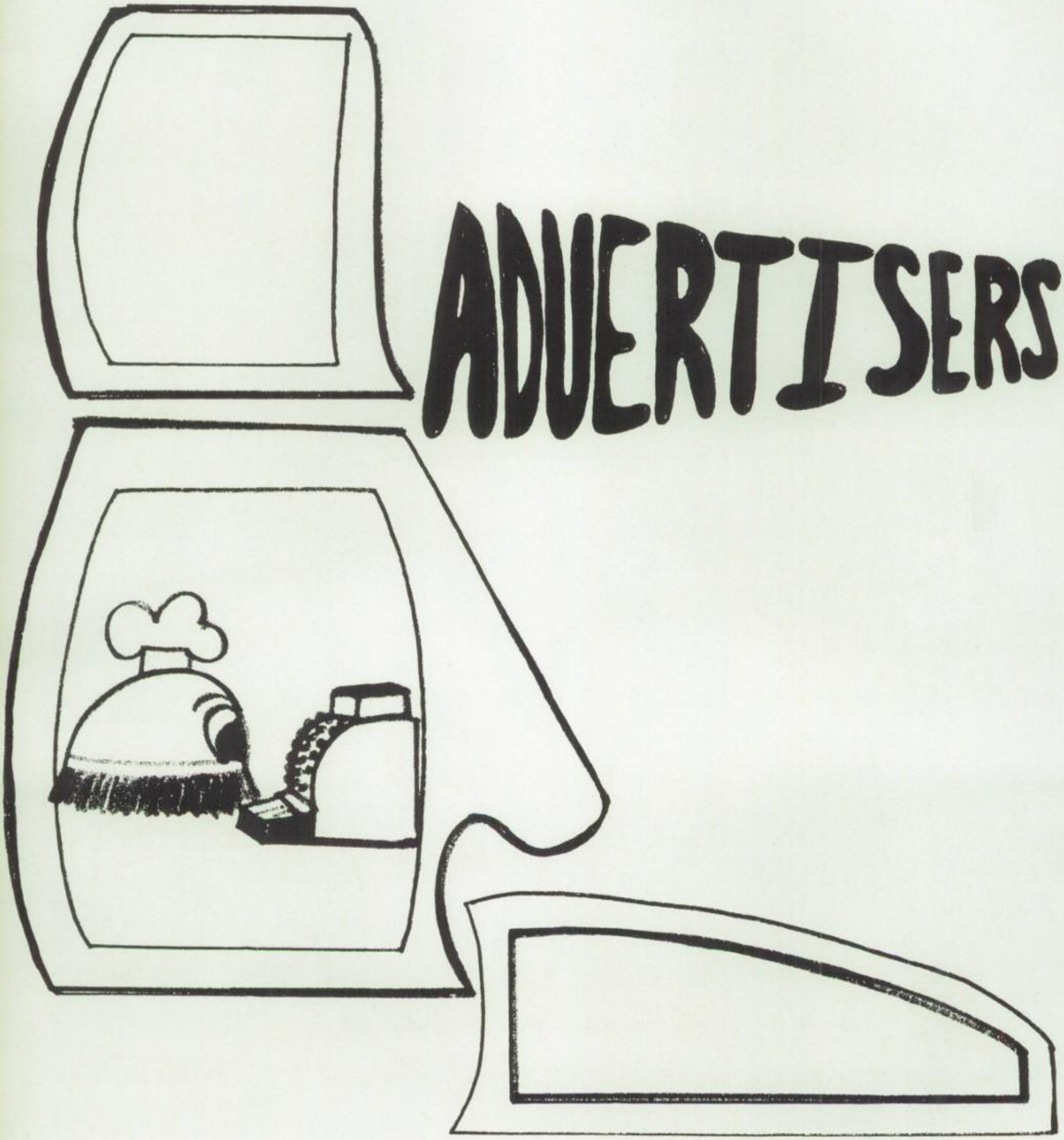
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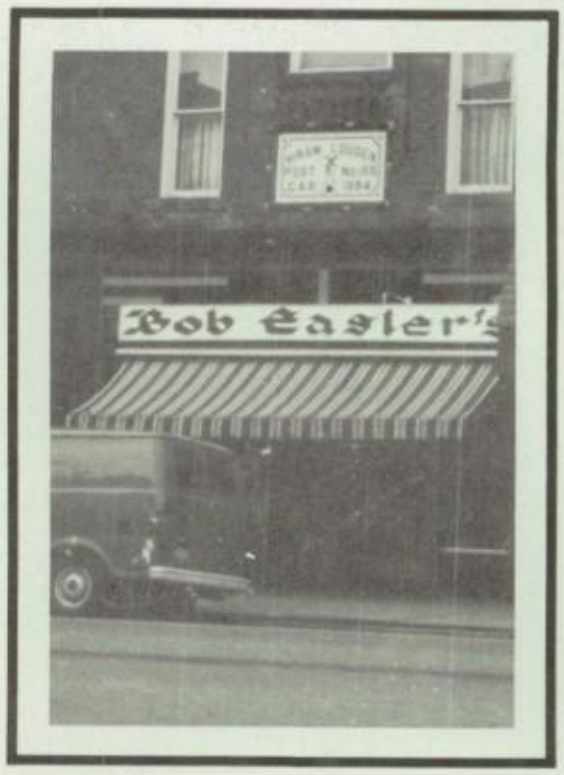

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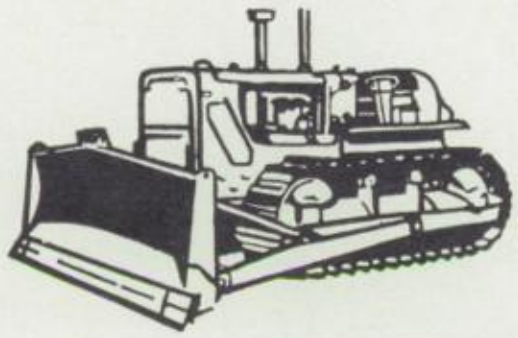

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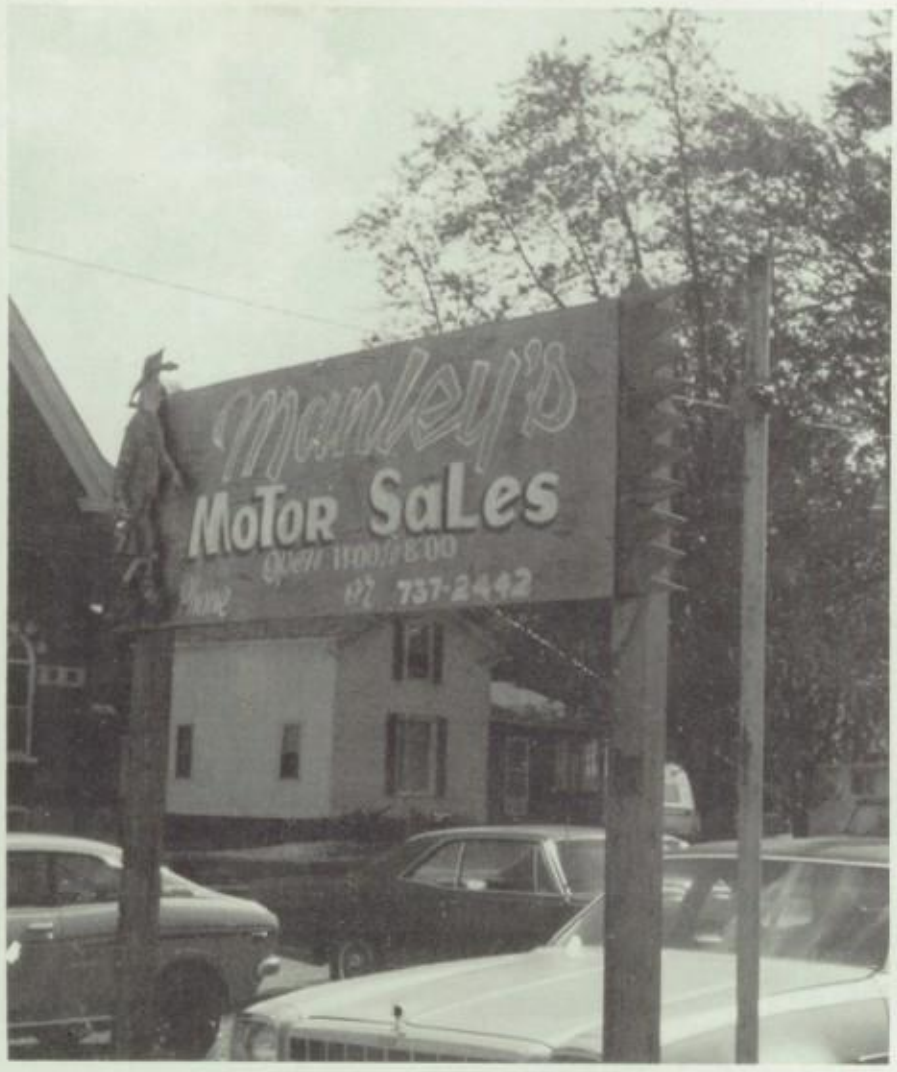

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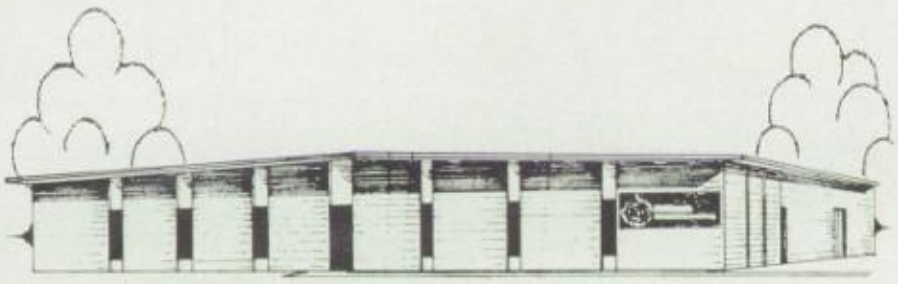

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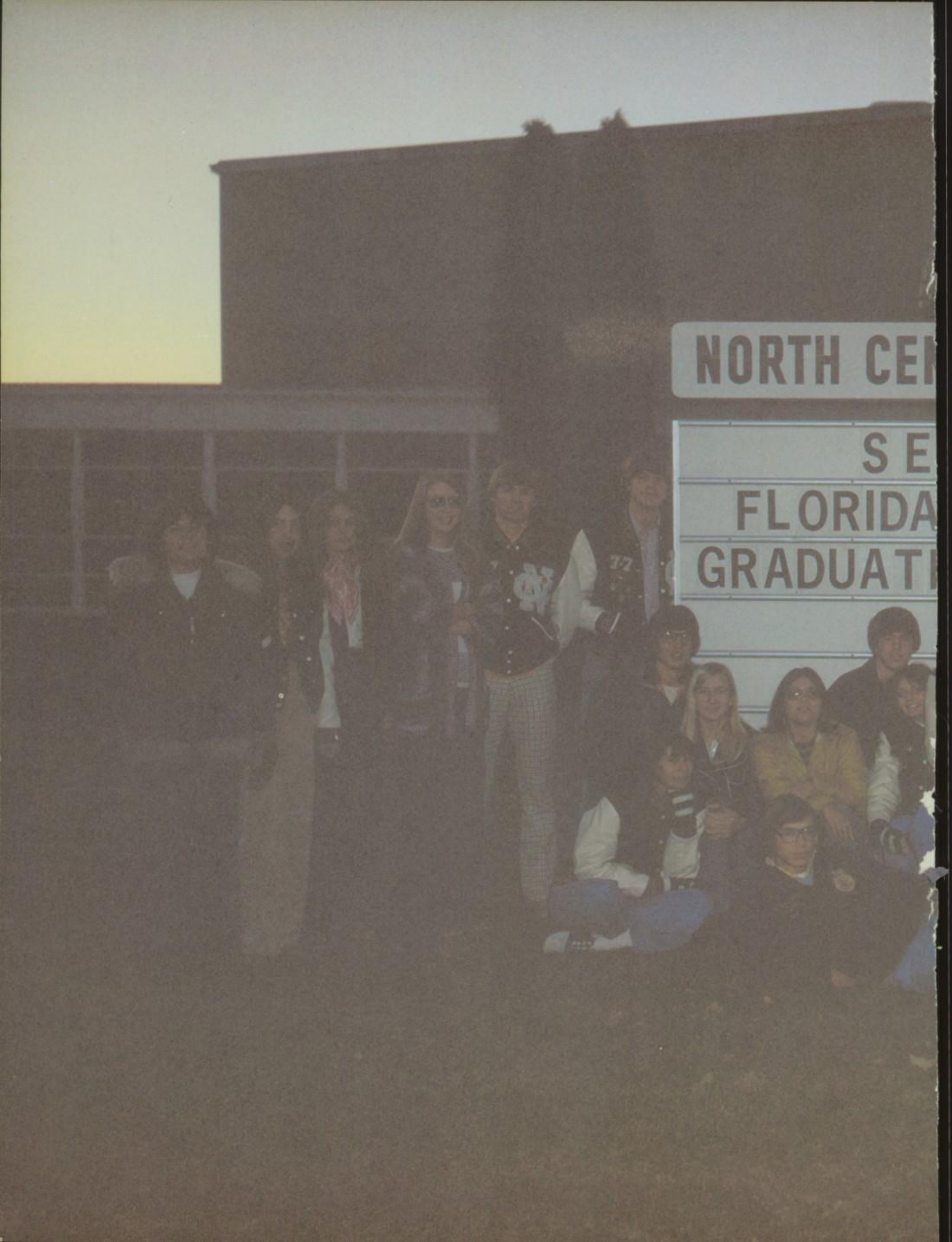
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